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U.S. soldiers assemble a wheelchair for Fatima Abdul Karim, who was injured when her mother dropped her as a car bomb exploded in late 2003.

GI charged with murder of 5 after shooting in Iraq

By STEVE MRAZ
Stars and Stripes

A Bamberg, Germany-based soldier has been charged with murder in the shooting deaths of five fellow servicemembers Monday at a combat stress control center at Camp Liberty, Iraq.

Sgt. John M. Russell of the 54th Engineer Battalion has been charged with five counts of murder and one count of aggravated assault in the Baghdad shootings, The Associated Press reported. The dead included two officers from the 55th Medical Company, a Reserve unit from Indianapolis. The other three dead were enlisted personnel seeking treatment at the facility, AP reported.

The Department of Defense announced

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one of the victims' names late Tuesday.

The Pentagon identified Cmdr. Charles Springle, 52, of Wilmington, North Carolina, as one of the victims of the shooting. The mother of Michael Edward Yates Jr. said two men from the Army came to her Federalsburg, Md. home early Tuesday to tell her her 19-year-old son was killed.

No one else was wounded, according to Steve Davis, Europe Regional Medical

Command spokesman.

Russell, 44, of Sherman, Texas, was on his third deployment to Iraq, according to Lt. Col. Brian Tribus, Multi-National Corps—Iraq spokesman. He had also deployed twice before — to Kosovo and Bosnia. He entered the Army National Guard in 1988 and served until 1994. Russell became an active-duty soldier in 1994, records show.

Russell's unit had deployed to Iraq in

May 2008 for a 15-month tour, though the AP reported Tuesday that he was six weeks away from leaving Iraq when the attack occurred.

The alleged shooter fits the Army's profile of troops who are more vulnerable to mental health problems while deployed.

Noncommissioned officers on their third and fourth deployments are more than twice as likely to have mental health problems as NCOs serving on their first deployment, according to the latest Army report on the mental health of deployed soldiers.

The findings are detailed in the Army's Mental Health Advisory Team V report on the Iraq war, dated Feb. 14, 2008.

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GI's dad: Counselors 'broke' son

The Associated Press

SHERMAN, Texas — The father of the soldier accused of killing five fellow U.S. troops in Iraq says he believes counselors in a military stress center "broke" his son before the shootings.

Wilburn Russell, 73, spoke with reporters Tuesday in front of the North Texas house owned by his son, Army Sgt. John M. Russell.

The younger Russell was six weeks away from completing his third tour in Iraq before Monday's shootings, his father said. He said his son was treated poorly at the military stress center and had e-mailed his wife calling two recent days the worst in his life.

Wilburn Russell says his son felt like "his life was over as far as he was concerned. He lived for the military."

He says he hopes "we find he snapped because of the pressure. He wasn't a mean person."

In an interview with KXII television in

Sherman, Wilburn Russell said his son told his wife about a week ago that he felt threatened by a couple of officers who were friends with personnel at the stress clinic. Russell felt those officers conspired to schedule him in to visit a stress clinic in an effort to shame Russell and have him kicked out of the service.

"They put as much pressure as they could to drum him out," the distraught father told KXII from the driveway of his son's home.

Russell joined the military, his father said, because he had trouble finding decent work due to his dyslexia and was unable to support his family.

There was much for his son to be worried about. Russell was "deeply in debt," his father said, and his 20-year-old son recently was di-

agnosed with a liver ailment and his father-in-law had major surgery just months ago. And his wife, a German citizen, was not going to be able to receive U.S. citizenship until after he was out of the service.

"We're terribly sorry this happened. It can't be undone. John didn't deserve it. And I'm sure the soldiers involved didn't deserve it. They pushed him too far," Wilburn Russell said.

"Hopefully, the president does get the correct story of what happened and how it happened. If the boy was set up, if they intended to harass him out of the military, then the military did him wrong."

The Defense Department and Multi-National Force-Iraq referred comment on Wilburn Russell's allegations to Multi-National Corps-Iraq, but no one picked up when Stars and Stripes tried calling MNC-I.

Stars and Stripes reporter Jeff Schogol contributed to this report.

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Charged: More deployments increase strain on soldiers

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While there are no firm data publicly available to capture the current mental health status of deployed soldiers, a doctor at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany talked recently about troops suffering mental health issues.

Three days before the shooting, Stars and Stripes interviewed Dr. Daphne Brown, chief of the behavioral health division at Landstuhl, about the effects of multiple deployments on troops.

"When I've talked to some folks, for instance, who are super-sharp E-6s — they're just the backbone of the Army — they'll come in, and they'll look at me. They'll say, 'I just can't do it anymore. I've been having nightmares since my second deployment. I thought I could go back and I could do it again and it's just worn me down. I just can't take it anymore,'" Brown said. "So they never fully healed from the damage done early on, and then they're asked to go back. Then, you're much more vulnerable to developing increased symptoms at that point."

The Army hospital in Landstuhl is the stopover treatment facility for injured troops coming from Iraq or Afghanistan on their way to the States.

According to the AP, which



Russell

quoted an anonymous Pentagon source, Russell got into an altercation with the clinic staff and was escorted from the area by an armed guard. Later, Russell took

his escort's weapon, returned to the clinic and allegedly began shooting, killing five, the wire service reported. He was then taken into custody.

Few details were available Tuesday afternoon about a motive in the shootings. Brown declined to comment Tuesday.

In general, however, exposure to combat is not the sole factor driving mental health issues among troops, she said in the earlier interview. Being separated from families, family-related issues and a lack of a lengthy break between deployments play roles, Brown said. Many psychological disorders have a typical "life cycle," with depression lasting about six months, Brown said. "If you get out of an adverse condition and you get back to a 'normal' situation, your symptoms begin to resolve," she said. "And

then as soon as you're feeling better, you begin to anticipate that you're going back into the same situation. So there's never really breathing room. That leaves people more tense. ... If you give someone three deployments over a 20-year career, you're not going to have the same kind of stresses on them as you are with three deployments in a five-year period."

Many of the patients Landstuhl physicians currently treat for behavioral health issues are coming in more for relationship issues or at-home problems and less because of combat trauma, Brown said.

With the situation in Iraq much improved compared with two or three years ago, some troops are finding themselves with more down time and a slower operational tempo. The situation gives them more time to communicate with family members or loved ones via computer or telephone. When the combat situation was more tense, troops could compartmentalize any family-related issues, putting such relatively minor issues on the back burner while they dealt with the threat at hand.

"Now that they're not in life-threatening situations on a regular basis and the tempo's calmer, the threat is lower, they do stay focused on those [family] issues," Brown said. "And yet, the fact that they are so powerless to do any-

thing to influence them probably has a major impact on folks."

At the same time, the suicide rate in the Army has reached alarming levels. Last year, the Army had 143 confirmed suicides, a record since the service began tracking the statistic in 1980. Through April, the Army reported 64 confirmed or potential active-duty suicides, compared with 39 confirmed suicides during the same period last year, the AP reported.

As the U.S. military draws down in Iraq and undergoes a relatively smaller buildup in Afghanistan, troops should have more time off between deployments. When that happens, mental health issues among troops will occur occasionally but not as often as now, Brown said.

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Correction

A May 13 headline should have said that military and emergency personnel, not Daejin University, practiced a response to a terrorist attack Monday in South Korea.

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Environmental class planned

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — The University of Maryland will offer a free seminar on global warming Friday at 3 p.m. in the Collocated Club's Mutsu Ballroom.

"The Psychology of Global Warming" will be presented by Kirk Rowe, a clinical psychologist.

Rowe will "review the facts about global warming and the difficulties inherent in any process of change," according to school officials.

Call DSN 222-8290 for more information.

Sign up for Kids Fun Run

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Base youth and adults are invited to hit the road for the America's Armed Forces Kids Fun Run on Saturday.

Online registration at www.americas-kidsrun.org ends Friday, but on-site registration at the Lunney Youth Center begins at 7:30 a.m. Saturday.

Call DSN 226-3220 for more information.

Register for youth baseball

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Registration for the youth baseball season will run May 18-29 at the Lunney Youth Center.

Leagues include Start Smart Baseball for 3- and 4-year-olds and Youth Baseball for those ages 5-18.

Call DSN 226-3220 for more information.

Cummings school welcome

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Cummings Elementary School will host a welcome/screening session on May 22 for incoming kindergartners.

Choose from 8:30 a.m. or 9:45 a.m. sessions. Please call DSN 226-2647 to make an appointment.

If you live in the north housing area or the 800 area of the main base and haven't registered your incoming student, please attend the meeting to do so.

Basketball contest date set

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Bring your best game to the May 20 "3 Point Shoot Out and Slam Dunk Contest" at the Potter Fitness Center.

Registration for the 11:30 a.m.-to-1 p.m. event ends May 18.

Call DSN 226-3982 for more information.

From staff reports



MARKUS SCHREIBER/AP

U.S. Air Force members from Ramstein, Germany, attend a ceremony to mark the 60th anniversary of the end of the Berlin Airlift in Berlin on Tuesday. The ceremony drew thousands of people to honor 120 American, British and French veterans involved in the operation.

Berlin thanks airlift vets

By DAVID RISING
The Associated Press

BERLIN — Berlin paid tribute Tuesday to veterans of the 1948-49 Berlin Airlift in which the Western allies flew vital supplies into West Berlin, a key Cold War moment that forced the Soviets to lift their blockade strangling the city.

At the recently closed Tempelhof Airport, the hub for U.S. planes, ceremonies marking the 60th anniversary of the end of the blockade drew thousands of people to honor 120 American, British and French veterans of the operation.

"You laid the cornerstone for today's trans-Atlantic relationship," Berlin Mayor Klaus Wowereit told the veterans. "It was a logistic, humanitarian masterpiece that is ... burned in the memory of the city."

Dale Whipple, a 78-year-old veteran from Benton, La., said participating in the airlift was one of the most significant events of his life.

"When you come over here

and meet the people who've benefited from our efforts, it's truly a humbling feeling, especially when we were just doing our jobs," Whipple said.

Ed Gere, who as a 25-year-old United States Air Force pilot flew 184 round trips from a British air base in West Germany to Berlin during the airlift, grew teary-eyed Tuesday as he pointed out names of those who died on a placard at the memorial.

"There's names of some good friends there who didn't make it," said Gere, of Amherst, Mass.

The Berlin Airlift began June 26, 1948, in an ambitious plan to feed and supply West Berlin, after the Soviets — one of the four occupying powers of a divided Berlin after World War II — blockaded the city in an attempt to squeeze the U.S., Britain and France out of the enclave within Soviet-occupied eastern Germany.

American, British, Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and South African pilots flew

278,000 flights to Berlin over 15 months, carrying about 2.3 million tons of food, coal, medicine and other supplies.

It is widely regarded as the first battle of the Cold War — one that marked the beginning of the end of the Soviet Union's ambitions to press further west and that to this day shapes the German view of the Western allies.

It came as no surprise that after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the U.S. in 2001, some 200,000 Berliners took to the streets of the German capital to show their support for the country that had helped save their city.

Representatives from the countries that took part in the airlift laid wreaths Tuesday at the base of the memorial that stands in front of Tempelhof's terminal building.

On the operation's busiest day — April 16, 1949 — about 1,400 planes carried in nearly 13,000 tons over 24 hours — an average of one plane touching down every minute.

Raptors are bound for Okinawa, Guam

KADENA AIR BASE, Okinawa — Raptors are set to return to Okinawa and Guam later this month.

On Tuesday, the Air Force announced it will send two contingents of the F-22 fighter jets to the Far East for four-month deployments. Kadena Air Base and Andersen Air Force Base will receive a dozen Raptors each.

The Kadena-bound planes are being deployed from the 94th Fighter Squadron at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia. The dozen fighters heading for Guam are being deployed from the 525th Fighter Squadron at Elmendorf Air Force Base in Alaska.

About 500 personnel will accompany the aircraft, according to a news release from 13th Air Force headquarters in Hawaii.

The deployments follow the recent departure from the theater of two deployed Raptor groups that returned to their U.S. bases in April.

The new deployments are the fifth and sixth in the Pacific theater since 2007 for the U.S. Air Force's stealthy fighters.

3-star nominated as PACOM deputy

Air Force Lt. Gen. Daniel J. Darnell has been nominated to serve as the deputy commander of U.S. Pacific Command by President Barack Obama, according to a Department of Defense news release.

Darnell is currently serving at the Pentagon as the deputy chief of staff for plans and requirements at Air, Space and Information Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the release stated.

He is a command pilot with more than 4,500 hours in the F-15A/B/C/D and F-16C/D aircraft and has served as the commander of U.S. Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron, the Thunderbirds, according to his biography on the Air Force Web site.

USS George H.W. Bush delivered after fixes

NEWPORT NEWS — The Navy's latest aircraft carrier, the USS George H.W. Bush, has been delivered.

The delivery was delayed last month after an unidentified material was found in two of the ship's emergency diesel generators during the carrier's final round of sea trials.

Northrop Grumman Corp. built the Nimitz-class carrier in Newport News.

The company delivered the carrier Monday after fixing the generators. The carrier has four emergency diesel generators that are used only when its two nuclear reactors are idled or unable to function.

From staff and wire reports

Airman sentenced for relationships with teens

By NATASHA LEE
Stars and Stripes

KADENA AIR BASE, Okinawa — A 21-year-old Kadena airman was sentenced Tuesday to 45 days in confinement and a reduction in rank to E-2 after pleading guilty to having inappropriate relationships with two 14-year-old girls.

Airman 1st Class Joshua A. Crabb of the 18th Munitions Squadron pleaded guilty to dereliction of duty, two specifications of abusive sexual contact with a child and indecent liberties with a child in connection with several encounters with the teenagers between November 2007 and May 2008.

The girls are Air Force dependents.

In one incident, Crabb allowed one of the girls to spend the night in his base dorm room, violating an Air Force policy that prohibits guests under 18 unless a commander has granted permission, according to court

testimony.

The two met at a bowling alley on Kadena, and the girl later introduced Crabb to a friend.

Crabb admitted to kissing and embracing the second girl during a consensual make-out session in his car on base.

According to court testimony, the second girl had told Crabb of a prior sexual history with Airman 1st Class Nathaniel DaSilva, who had been in Crabb's squadron.

DaSilva was dishonorably discharged in July and is serving a three-year sentence for having consensual sex with minors.

The Uniform Code of Military Justice prohibits servicemembers from having sex with teenagers younger than 16.

Under Crabb's pretrial agreement, prosecuting attorneys sought four years of confinement, a dishonorable discharge and a reduction in rank to E-1. Prosecutors said Crabb's knowledge of the girl's history with

DaSilva aggravated the situation, and that Crabb should have used better judgment.

At the time of Crabb's relationship with the girl, DaSilva was in pretrial confinement for the sexual encounter that took place in February 2008, prosecuting attorneys said.

During an unsworn statement before military judge Col. Mark Allred, Crabb apologized and said his decision to befriend the two teenage girls was wrong, but that he connected with them and liked the attention.

"I liked hanging out with people who looked up to me," Crabb said.

Crabb will serve his confinement on the island and may have to register as a sex offender in his hometown in Wisconsin, said paralegal Tech. Sgt. Mary Madison of the 18th Wing.

Crabb enlisted in the service in 2006 and arrived at Kadena Air Base the following year.

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6 people killed by car bomber in Kirkuk

By SAMEER N. YACOB
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — A suicide bomber rammed his car into an Iraqi police truck Tuesday, killing five policemen and a civilian in the northern oil city of Kirkuk, said police.

The suicide bombing, which took place in a crowded downtown commercial area packed with people preparing for work, also wounded at least 11 others, including children and other civilians, said Brig. Gen. Sarhat Qadir, the police spokesman in Kirkuk.

The attack left a scene of devastation around the market of burnt cars and smoldering shops.

Firefighters hosed down the street, and police carried off the charred bodies of their colleagues.

"I was standing near my stall trying to weigh some fruit for a buyer when I heard a big explosion," said merchant Mohammed Habib from his hospital bed, where he was being treated for head injuries.

"Everything around me flew in the air from the force of the explosion and my scales crashed into my head," he said.

The owner of a sweets shop in the market complained that the repeated attacks were ruining the economy, as he swept up shattered glass and scattered sweets in front of his store.

"Every time there was an explosion near my shop, I had to pay for repairing the damage," said Ahmed Anwar. "I cannot afford to pay these expenses forever."



EMAD MATTI/AP

Iraqi police officers pull a dead body from the scene of Tuesday's suicide car bomb attack in Kirkuk, Iraq. A suicide bomber rammed his car into an Iraqi police truck killing five policemen and one civilian in the northern oil rich city of Kirkuk, police said.

A roadside bomb also exploded near an army patrol on the other side of the city at the same time as the suicide attack, but there were no casualties, Qadir said.

Iraq demands more water rights from neighbors

BAGHDAD — Iraq's parliament has called on the government to forgo partnership agreements with Turkey, Syria and Iran unless they affirm Iraq's right to a bigger share of water in the Tigris and Euphrates rivers.

The chairman of the water committee, Karim al-Yacoubi, said water levels have fallen to dangerous levels because neighboring countries take too much from the rivers and their tributaries.

Al-Yacoubi said Tuesday that parliament would insist on water-sharing provisions in any future agreements with the three countries.

Iraq is suffering from a major drought. The effects have worsened because of poor water management and dams that block the flow of the two rivers — the country's main water source.

From The Associated Press

Kirkuk is the center of Iraq's oil production in the north and is contested between its Kurdish and Arab populations.

Kurdish leaders seek to incorporate it into their semiautonomous region in the north, making it one of the most sensitive areas for Iraqi leaders and U.S. military commanders preparing to withdraw their troops from the country by the end of 2011.

'Time for the Iraqis to step up'

Local soldiers' conduct during aid mission to help disabled children raises questions about future after U.S. leaves

By ERNESTO LONDONO
The Washington Post

BAGHDAD — Under the glare of a Humvee's headlights, Brad Blauser broke into a sweat assembling a pediatric wheelchair as a small group of Iraqi soldiers observed quietly.

The idea was to train the Iraqis so that when the time came to distribute the wheelchairs, Blauser and the 20 or so GIs who coordinated the giveaway could fade into the background as Iraqi troops presented 32 fully assembled wheelchairs to disabled children.

Staff Sgt. Craig Jackson, 34, of Pennsylvania, one of the squad leaders working with Blauser said they wanted to "show them that their government is trying to help its people."

But the mission in Fadhil, a predominantly Sunni neighborhood in Baghdad, showed quite the opposite. It raised questions that haunt U.S. troops as they prepare to pull out of Iraqi cities by June 30: When the Americans leave, how will the Iraqi forces behave? Will the billions of dollars and thousands of lives spent propping up and legitimizing the Iraqi government prove to have been a poor investment?

Soon the crowd of Iraqi soldiers thinned as curiosity gave way to boredom. Blauser, 43, found him-

self surrounded mainly by GIs.

But there was no time to prod the Iraqis into action; it was getting late. So after the first wheelchair was assembled, Blauser and the American soldiers unpacked the remaining 31 and put them together with little assistance from the Iraqis.

When he arrived in Mosul in November 2004 as a contractor, Blauser had never been overseas and knew nothing about the non-profit world.

But one night in August 2005, a battalion surgeon at the base told Blauser about the scores of disabled children he was meeting during aid missions.

"The military couldn't offer long-term care," Blauser said. What if, he thought, "we could at least give them a wheelchair."

He spent the next few nights doing research about wheelchair charities. Reach Out and Care Wheels, a Montana nonprofit organization that distributes pediatric wheelchairs assembled by South Dakota prison inmates, agreed to provide some to Blauser for \$200 apiece. Blauser reached out to friends, relatives and strangers online, seeking funds. By the end of 2005, he had raised \$20,000 — enough for 100 pediatric chairs to distribute in a country where they are a rarity.

"In this culture, children with

disabilities are a curse from God, so you leave the children in the house, preferably in the back room," Blauser said. "When the parents get the wheelchairs, they say: 'To hell with this curse mentality. I'm going to take them to the market.'"

By the time CNN did a report on the project in February 2008, Blauser's organization, Wheelchairs for Iraqi Kids, had distributed more than 230 wheelchairs.

That Feb. 17, Blauser received an unexpected congratulatory note.

"Your initiative has proven to be a wonderful idea and you clearly have been doing a superb job turning that idea into reality," Gen. David H. Petraeus, then the top U.S. general in Iraq, wrote.

The pediatric wheelchairs distributed in Fadhil were part of the last shipment Blauser had.

"We're out of money and out of wheelchairs," Blauser said. "There's nothing left."

Families with disabled children started arriving at a Fadhil clinic hours before two Iraqi army trucks pulled into the parking lot with the wheelchairs.

Prompted by the Americans, Alaa Dagher, head of the local council, gave a speech in the clinic's lobby.

He then left, as did the Iraqi soldiers.

Thirty-two families waited in



ERNESTO LONDONO/The Washington Post

Iraqi army Maj. Qasam Al Dafai, left, talks to Brad Blauser as he adjusts a pediatric wheelchair. Blauser's nonprofit organization, Wheelchairs for Iraqi Kids, has distributed hundreds of wheelchairs to Iraqi children with disabilities.

line for hours as Blauser and U.S. troops painstakingly adjusted each wheelchair to fit each child.

When Blauser began fitting the first child, he realized that the wheelchair was missing the custom-made tool that allows parents to adjust the chair as the child grows.

He soon discovered that all the chairs were missing the critical part.

The U.S. officer in charge of the event called the Iraqi soldiers and questioned them. Minutes later, the Iraqis walked in with 11 of the 32 tools. They had no explanation for the fate of the rest or

for a wheelchair that they didn't deliver.

"Iraqis enjoy some sense of civility with us here," Blauser said later. "It's time for the Iraqis to step up. If they don't, it'll be one hell of a mess when troops leave. Honestly, I don't see how the Iraqi army can gain credibility when they have petty thieves stealing from families of disabled children in their ranks."

Using the tools they had, the American soldiers improvised and spent several hours adjusting the chairs, which the Iraqi parents won't be able to do easily as their children grow.

Petraeus: New U.S. leaders in Afghanistan 'exceptional' officers

Stars and Stripes

The two generals nominated by Defense Secretary Robert Gates to take command in Afghanistan and reverse what is seen as the steady downward spiral of the counterinsurgency effort have considerable experience with irregular warfare and are seen as officers capable of turning around a command in a very short period of time.



McChrystal

Gates announced Monday that he had fired Gen. David McKiernan, commander of all U.S. and NATO troops in Afghanistan, and has recommended replacing him with Lt. Gen. Stanley McChrystal, who would get his fourth star. He also recommended that Lt. Gen. David Rodriguez serve as McChrystal's deputy.

"LTGs McChrystal and Rodriguez are brilliant officers, with considerable experience in Afghanistan, in the conduct of irregular warfare, and in both conventional and special operations," Gen. David Petraeus, head of U.S. Central Command, told Stars and Stripes in an e-mail. "They have long been known and respected for their energy, expertise, and exceptional leadership."



Petraeus

The change in leadership comes as the news in Afghanistan has grown steadily worse, with the Taliban increasing its activities and holding more ground. In the eastern Afghanistan city of Khost, a coordinated series of attacks by suicide bombers and insurgents Tuesday left several dead and sparked running gunbattles in which an American quick-reaction force was ambushed, with one U.S. soldier wounded.

Marine Lt. Gen. Dennis J. Hejlik, head of the II Marine Expeditionary Force, called McChrystal a "superstar" who worked tirelessly to integrate conventional and special operations forces when the two men worked in Iraq.

"The way he thinks is he really does understand that you're not going to win the war by killing all the enemy. That's not going to work," Hejlik told reporters Tuesday.

"He understands the value of high-value targets, when necessary," Hejlik said. "He also understands the value of having the small unit on the ground — the ODA (Operational Detachment

Alpha)-type force, the 13-man force, that's in there with the locals, living with them, eating with them, sleeping with them and training with them."

McChrystal led Joint Special Operations Command for nearly five years prior to assuming his current post as director of the Joint Staff.

While in Iraq, troops under McChrystal were credited with capturing Saddam Hussein and killing Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, leader of al-Qaida in Iraq, according to media reports.

Rodriguez became Gates' military adviser after commanding U.S. troops in Eastern Afghanistan.

Retired Command Sgt. Maj. Michael T. Hall was command



Rodriguez

sergeant major for the 75th Ranger Regiment when McChrystal commanded the unit from 1997 through 1999.

He described the general as "the kind of guy that can look at any situation and solve the immediate problem, at the same time, at the very same time, look at what the second- and third-order effects of that decision are going to be, and solve them at the same time."

Hall characterized both McChrystal and Rodriguez as "Pattonesque in that they can take an organization in a very short period of time and turn around attitudes ..." Each has a personality "that makes you want to get on board," he said.

Hall said junior leaders and rank and file soldiers "will be trusted to do what they think is right. They won't have to fear retribution for making honest mistakes," he said. "(But) I don't think Gen. McChrystal or Gen. Rodriguez suffers fools lightly. Either you do your job — you give 100 percent and you do what you're supposed to do — and if you don't they're going to find someone who can and will."

A few senior officers assigned to the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team in Vicenza, Italy, also have worked under McChrystal.

Lt. Col. Matthew McFarlane, commander of the 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, was a rifle platoon leader in the mid-1990s for the 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment at Fort Lewis, Wash. McChrystal was the battalion commander.

"He is the officer people aspire to be," McFarlane said via phone from Grafenwöhr, Germany, where his battalion is training. "He has the unique ability to lead soldiers in the ranks from private to colonel. When he talks, people nod in understanding."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.



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Afghan security personnel aim their weapons during a clash with militants following attacks on government buildings in Khost province east of Kabul, Afghanistan, on Tuesday. Armed insurgents took government workers hostage and ambushed an American quick-reaction force, wounding three U.S. troops.

20 dead after U.S., Afghan forces clash with Taliban

By FISNIK ABRASHI AND RAHIM FAIEZ

The Associated Press

KABUL — Eleven Taliban suicide bombers attacked government buildings in eastern Afghanistan on Tuesday, sparking running gunbattles that killed at least 20 people and wounded three U.S. troops, officials said. U.S. and Afghan troops freed 20 hostages taken by the insurgents.

The assault began around 10 a.m. when a suicide bomber in a burqa attacked the governor's compound in Khost, an eastern city on the border with Pakistan that houses a major American base. That blast was followed soon after by a suicide car bomb explosion, said Wazir Pacha, the spokesman for the provincial police chief.

U.S. forces attending a nearby

meeting responded to the attacks and killed an unknown number of militants, said Lt. Cmdr. Christine Sidenstricker, a U.S. military spokeswoman.

Khost residents hid from booming explosions and running street clashes that lasted until 5 p.m. At least eleven insurgents and nine others — including police and civilians — died, the Defense Ministry said.

A Taliban spokesman, Zabihullah Mujahid, claimed that 30 suicide bombers had attacked the government buildings. A U.S. spokesman summed up the chaos in the midst of battle: "A lot of stuff is going on right now."

Militants in recent months have carried out an increasing number of complex attacks that involved several assailants. Military analysts have said the increasing sophistication of attacks

in Afghanistan is a result of training by Pakistani militants and al-Qaida fighters.

The attack began with several suicide attacks on the Khost governor's compound, which drew small-arms fire from nearby U.S. troops, said U.S. military spokesman Chief Brian Naranjo.

Then a team of six suicide bombers tried to attack the nearby police headquarters, but were rebuffed by security forces and entered the neighboring municipality building, Pacha said.

Three bombers detonated their explosives, the Interior Ministry said, while other militants took 20 city employees hostage, Pacha said.

A second U.S. team was sent from the nearby American base, Camp Salerno. But those troops were fired on en route, Naranjo said.

Army probing health care after shootings

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — The U.S. military command launched an investigation Tuesday into whether it offers adequate mental health care to its soldiers, a day after a sergeant finishing up his third tour of Iraq allegedly shot and killed five comrades at a clinic on a U.S. base.

Sgt. John M. Russell, 44, of Sherman, Texas, was taken into custody outside a mental health clinic at Camp Liberty following Monday's shooting and charged

with five counts of murder and one of aggravated assault, Maj. Gen. David Perkins said.

The case, the deadliest of the war involving soldier-on-soldier violence, has cast a spotlight on combat stress and emotional problems resulting from frequent deployments to battle zones in Iraq and Afghanistan.

In Baghdad, Perkins told reporters that Russell, a communications specialist assigned to the 54th Engineer Battalion from Bamberg, Germany, was sent to the mental health clinic by his

superiors, presumably because of concern over his emotional state. He said the commander had ordered Russell's weapon taken away from him but somehow he got a new weapon, entered the clinic and opened fire.

In addition to the ongoing criminal investigation, Perkins said the U.S. command had opened a formal inquiry into the "general availability" of health care for American service personnel in Iraq, "specifically the policies and procedures surrounding behavioral health services."

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IN THE STATES

Court: Gun suppliers not liable for misuse

By CAROL J. WILLIAMS
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Firearms manufacturers and sellers cannot be held liable for criminal misuse of their products, a federal appeals court panel ruled Monday in a case stemming from a white supremacist's 1999 shooting rampage at a Jewish community summer camp in Los Angeles' northern suburbs.

The suit brought by the mother of a man fatally shot by Buford O. Furrow Jr. and the families of five others wounded — including three preschool children — sought

to hold Georgia-based Glock Inc., a Seattle-area gun dealer and a Chinese manufacturer liable for negligence.

In a 2-1 decision, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals panel upheld the constitutionality of a 2005 federal law that retroactively shielded gun makers and distributors from responsibility for criminal acts involving properly functioning weapons.

Furrow, a follower of the racist Aryan Nations, unleashed a barrage of semiautomatic weapons fire at the Jewish Community

Center camp in the Granada Hills neighborhood on Aug. 19, 1999, wounding an adult, a teenager and three children ages 4 to 6. Later in the day, he shot and killed letter carrier Joseph S. Iletto.

Furrow pleaded guilty to avoid the death penalty and is serving five life terms in prison.

The victims' suit against the gun providers was dismissed in 2002 for failure to state a claim under California law. A year later, a 9th Circuit panel reversed that district court decision and the U.S. Supreme Court declined to review

it, clearing the way for trial of the gun makers and sellers.

Meanwhile, Congress passed the 2005 Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act, shielding suppliers from such suits and ordering dismissal of pending claims.

Monday's ruling asserted that the law doesn't violate constitutional protections of due process and separation of powers.

"Glock and RSR (Wholesale Guns Seattle Inc.) certainly sympathize with the victims of Buford Furrow who have been through

a horrible tragedy ... but we are happy that Glock and RSR are able to reaffirm their good name and the reputation of the firearms and law enforcement communities," said New York attorney Christopher Renzulli, who defended the gun maker and seller.

A third defendant, China North Industries Corp., was not held to be immune from prosecution because the law applies only to those registered with the federal government. The 9th Circuit panel sent the case against the Beijing company back to U.S. District Court for trial.

FAA nixes Navy plan for NYC flyover

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Federal Aviation Administration turned down a U.S. Navy request to fly a patrol aircraft past Manhattan on Monday, two weeks after a nerve-racking Air Force photo shoot over the Statue of Liberty caused a brief panic.

The agency said it refused clearance for the flight down the Hudson River because the Navy had given it only a few hours notice of its plans.

FAA officials said the four-engine, turboprop P-3 Orion reconnaissance plane was to have flown no lower than 3,000 feet, in an air corridor where

planes of a similar size are a common sight.

But officials declined permission for the flight, saying unannounced military flybys were a bad idea.

Two weeks ago, office workers near the World Trade Center site and across the river in New Jersey ran for cover when a Boeing 747 sometimes used as Air Force One circled the harbor at 1,000 feet with a fighter jet in tow.

The photo shoot became a scandal and led to the resignation of the White House official who authorized it.

Dems vow credit card reform

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats on Tuesday vowed not to back down to credit card companies, as the banking industry warned that legislation imposing tough reforms would make it harder for responsible customers to get credit. Sen. Christopher Dodd, chairman of the Banking Committee, said he hoped the legislation would pass this week.

5 convicted in Chicago plot

MIAMI — A federal jury in Miami has convicted five men of plotting with al-Qaida to topple Chicago's Sears Tower and bomb FBI offices in hopes of igniting an anti-government insurrection. A sixth man was acquitted. Tuesday's verdicts came after six days of deliberations in the third trial of the "Liberty City Six."

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IN THE WORLD

French pair face charges over terror conversations

By FRANCES D'EMILIO
The Associated Press

ROME — Italian anti-terrorism investigators on Tuesday said two French citizens held behind bars since last year on suspicion of smuggling migrants were al-Qaida propaganda point men in Europe and were heard talking in jail about a possible attack on a Paris airport.

But police said investigators found no concrete plan of attack.

"It's pretty clear from intercepted conversations that they talk explicitly about an attack in French territory," said prosecutor Roberto Rossi in Bari, where the pair

have been jailed since November. He said the men specifically mentioned Charles de Gaulle airport and that French authorities had been notified.

Italian police said Bassam Ayachi, 62, and Raphael Frederic Gendron, 33, were served warrants in jail on Tuesday accusing them of criminal association for international terrorism.

"These two are top-level point men on the ideological level" for propaganda for al-Qaida in Europe, anti-terrorism police official Claudio Galzerano said in a telephone interview.

The ANSA news agency said other alleged planning involved

unspecified targets in Britain. Quoting from excerpts of transcripts of the intercepted conversations, it said the two spoke of a "need to strike at the English."

It quoted Ayachi as referring to a plane, saying, "You don't need me to tell you what it means to have a French plane" and saying "we'll kill by striking."

Galzerano said investigations have indicated that the risk of such an attack by these two men "is practically nothing."

The initial concern over possible planning for terrorist attacks was based on excerpts of intercepted telephone conversation, and "very fragmentary"



DONATO FASANO/AP

Terrorism suspects Bassam Ayachi, 62, left, and Raphael Frederic Gendron, 33, are shown on a police pamphlet Tuesday.

phrases, Galzerano said.

Both were Brussels residents, and Bassam was the religious authority at an Islamic center there,

police said. Police said Bassam was the uncle of a Tunisian extremist convicted in 1999 of supporting terrorist organizations.

Journalist speaks out after release

The Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — American journalist Roxana Saberi said Tuesday she was very happy to be free and thanked those who helped win her release after four months in an Iranian prison, as new details emerged about the evidence presented against her at her spying trial.

Speaking to reporters in Tehran for the first time since her release Monday, a smiling Saberi said she did not have any specific plans but wanted to spend time with her family. She looked thin but energetic.

"I am very happy that I have been released and reunited with my father and mother. I am very grateful to all the people who knew me or didn't know me and helped for my release," she said in brief remarks outside her home in north Tehran. "I don't have any specific plans for the time being. I want to stay with my parents."

Her Iranian-born father, Reza Saberi, said his daughter "was not tortured at all" while in custody but that she made incriminating statements about herself under pressure. He told reporters the family was making plans to return to the U.S.

The younger Saberi was freed



HASAN SARBAKHSHIAN/AP

U.S.-Iranian journalist Roxana Saberi and her father, Reza, talk with media in Tehran, Iran, on Tuesday after the reporter was freed from prison Monday. Saberi's eight-year sentence for spying on Iran was reduced to a two-year suspended sentence.

after an appeals court reduced her original eight-year prison sentence to a two-year suspended sentence.

One of Saberi's lawyers, Saleh Nikbakht, revealed new details of the case on Tuesday. He said Saberi had copied and kept a "confidential document" about the U.S. war in Iraq that was issued by a research center connected to the Iranian president's office, and that this was used against her in her original conviction.

Saberi obtained the document while she was working as a freelance translator for the Expediency Council, a powerful body in Iran's ruling clerical hierarchy, Nikbakht said.

During her trial, prosecutors also cited a trip to Israel that Sa-

beri made in 2006 as evidence against her, the lawyer said. The Iranian government bars its citizens from visiting Israel.

In her appeal court session on Sunday, Saberi admitted to the court that she possessed the document. She said she copied it out of "curiosity," but she said she didn't share it with American officials, Nikbakht said. She apologized for doing so, and the court reduced the charge against her from espionage to possessing confidential documents.

Her original conviction was also on charges of working with a "hostile country" referring to the United States. But Nikbakht said the appeals court dropped that charge, ruling that the U.S. is not a hostile country.

Alleged Nazi guard jailed

MUNICH — After three decades of fighting in court, John Demjanjuk was incarcerated Tuesday in a German prison, deported from the United States to face allegations of being an accessory to the murder of 29,000 Jews and others as a Nazi guard at the Sobibor death camp.

As the retired Ohio autoworker was formally placed into investigative custody, his lawyer immediately filed a challenge against the arrest warrant that brought his client to Germany. If the 89-year-old is found fit to stand trial, it would be the culmination of a legal saga that began in 1977 and has involved at least five countries on three continents.

The Ukrainian-born Demjanjuk says he was a Red Army soldier who spent World War II as a Nazi POW and never hurt anyone.

But documents obtained by U.S. justice authorities and shared with German prosecutors include a photo ID identifying Demjanjuk as a guard at the Sobibor camp and saying he was trained at an SS facility for Nazi guards.

German prosecutors have a roster that lists Demjanjuk by name and birthday saying he was at Sobibor, and statements from former guards who remembered him being there.

From The Associated Press



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China remembers quake victims

By KEN TEH

The Associated Press

BEICHUAN, China — State leaders laid flowers and survivors burned paper money for departed spirits as a mournful China marked the first anniversary Tuesday of a devastating earthquake that left nearly 90,000 people dead or missing and 5 million homeless.

Addressing a memorial service before a destroyed school in the Sichuan province town of Yingxiu, President Hu Jintao pledged strengthened support for rebuilding and disaster prevention and efforts toward a "more harmonious relationship between man and nature."

"The great task of earthquake rescue and recovery reminds us again that unity is strength, that victory can only be gained through struggle," said Hu, before leading military and civilian leaders, diplomats, students and emergency services workers in laying carnations before a stone memorial.

The 30-minute ceremony followed a minute of silence beginning at 2:28 p.m., the moment the magnitude-7.9 temblor struck on May 12, 2008, toppling or burying villages, snapping bridges and razing large portions of Sichuan and two neighboring provinces.

The solemn event was broadcast live on national television, underscoring the disaster's searing effect on the national consciousness.

In the nearby county seat of Beichuan, mourners gathered at a destroyed middle school where about 1,000 students and faculty were killed, piling flowers and burning candles and sticks of incense amid the smoke and crackle of exploding firecrackers. Many brought pictures of their dead children and pasted notes to a metal fence surrounding the rubble, including one reading "peace to the dead, strength to the living."



Ng Han Guan/AP

A Chinese girl burns paper offerings for departed spirits in Beichuan, southwestern China's Sichuan province, on Tuesday, the first anniversary of a devastating earthquake that left nearly 90,000 people dead or missing and 5 million homeless.

Burning paper money as an offering to their 17-year-old son who was crushed in the school collapse, Jin Dalan and her husband Chen Guanghui gave voice both to their bereavement and continuing resentment over the government's treatment of parents.

"I'm just trying to talk to him to ask why he doesn't visit me in my dreams. I just want to know that he's OK and that no one is bullying him," said Jin, 45.

Chen, like many parents of dead students, said he was still waiting for a proper response to allegations that schools were inherently unsafe as a result of shoddy construction enabled by corruption and weak oversight.

"Of course I'm angry. The school was badly built. Nothing else around here collapsed," Chen, 47, said.

Parents have tried to sue or petition local and central authorities, but many have been detained or warned against speaking out. Activists and lawyers who have tried to help them have met the same fate and reporters visiting the area have been detained, harassed and physically threatened.

So far, no one has been punished or held responsible over the schools, and officials insist that they have not found evidence so far of shoddy construction — a claim questioned by experts and parents alike.

4 countries report first swine flu cases; Mexican schools reopen

By MARK STEVENSON
AND DAVID KOOP
The Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — The swine flu virus spread to more countries Tuesday as scientists estimated the new strain could have sickened 23,000 people in Mexico alone before anyone realized it was an epidemic.

Fidel Castro, meanwhile, accused Mexico of hiding the epidemic until after President Barack Obama visited last month.

Mexican Health Secretary Jose Cordova said his nation's shutdown of schools — which was lifted in most of the country's 31 states Monday — had averted an avalanche of cases.

"It would have been difficult for us to have controlled this epidemic," Cordova said in a statement, adding that Mexico had 56 deaths

and 2,059 confirmed cases of swine flu.

But Castro, the former Cuban president, accused Mexico of failing to disclose the spread of swine flu until after Obama had visited en route to the Summit of the Americas in Trinidad last month.

Obama's April 16 visit came a week before Mexican health officials announced swine flu was spreading.

Thailand and Finland reported their first confirmed swine cases Tuesday of people just arrived from Mexico. Cuba and China — both countries that had imposed strict measures on flights and travelers from Mexico — also reported their first confirmed cases.

While officials praised the health and education systems for their response to the crisis, there were signs that Mexico's overburdened health system was under strain.



Miguel Tovar/AP

A boy wearing a mask as a precaution against swine flu poses for a picture on Monday, his first day of school since the outbreak of swine flu in Mexico City.

Dozens of government health care workers, including doctors and nurses, marched and blocked streets in the Gulf coast city of Jalapa to demand higher pay and better working conditions.

South Korean man gets death for stabbings

SEOUL — A South Korean court has sentenced a man to death for killing six people in a stabbing spree last year.

Seoul Central District Court spokesman Kwon Tae-hyung said Jeong Sang-jin was handed the sentence Tuesday because his crime was premeditated and "cruel."

Ex-Georgian leader urges president to quit

TBILISI, Georgia — Former Georgian leader Eduard Shevardnadze on Tuesday described the situation in Georgia as "catastrophic" and urged the country's current embattled president to resign.

Shevardnadze, who gained worldwide fame for his role in ending the Cold War as Mikhail Gorbachev's foreign minister, said in an interview with The Associated Press that the opposition seeking the resignation of incumbent Mikhail Saakashvili is very strong.

Saakashvili has been facing daily opposition protests for more than a month, but has refused to resign.

Official: Hospital attack killed 49 in Sri Lanka

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka — A mortar shell struck the only functioning medical facility in Sri Lanka's northern war zone Tuesday, throwing bloody bodies into the dirt outside and killing 49 people, a government health official said. It was the second time this month the hospital was hit.

The attack on the makeshift hospital also wounded 50 people. It came after a weekend of heavy shelling that killed hundreds of civilians trapped in the tiny war zone.

Brazil boosts aid for homeless flood victims

LUIS, Brazil — Brazil intensified efforts to get food and other aid to people isolated by severe flooding as waters kept rising in some areas Monday, including a jungle river nearing its highest level in more than 50 years.

At least 40 people have died in the worst flooding in northern Brazil in at least two decades, and the number of homeless is now above 308,000.

From The Associated Press

Vatican defends pope after criticism from Israel

By JOSEF FEDERMAN
The Associated Press

JERUSALEM — The Vatican defended the pope Tuesday from a growing chorus of Israeli critics who accused the German-born Benedict XVI of failing to express enough remorse for the Holocaust — a controversy that threatened to eclipse a papal pilgrimage aimed at building bridges between faiths.

The pope delivered messages of peace while visiting the holiest Muslim and Jewish sites in Jeru-



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with the parliament speaker accusing Benedict of glossing over

the Nazi genocide. Newspapers lambasted him for failing to apologize for what many in Israel see as Catholic indifference during World War II and the pope's own wartime actions — he served in the Hitler Youth corps and Nazi army — have also cast a shadow.

"The pope spoke like a historian, as somebody observing from the sidelines, about things that shouldn't happen. But what can you do? He was part of them," said parliament speaker Reuven Rivlin. "With all due respect to the Holy See, we cannot ignore

the baggage he carries with him."

The pope delivered an emotional address at the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial, saying the cry of those killed by the regime under which he grew up "still echoes in our hearts."

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'Spider-Man' star, wife welcome second child

The wife of "Spider-Man" star Tobey Maguire has given birth to the couple's second child, a boy.

People.com

reports that 31-year-old Jennifer Meyer gave birth to a baby boy on Friday.

Meyer gave birth to the couple's daughter, Ruby Sweetheart Maguire, more than two years ago.

The 33-year-old Maguire and Meyer met in 2003 and were married in 2007. Meyer is the daughter of Ron Meyer, president and chief operating officer of Universal Studios.



It's going to be a girl!

Seal and Heidi Klum are expecting a baby girl.

The Grammy-winning singer confirmed the news on Friday's segment of "The Oprah Winfrey" show. Seal seems happy to go public: Several weeks ago, he announced his wife's pregnancy to the audience at his New York City concert.

Klum has two young sons with Seal, whom she married in 2005. The German-born supermodel and host of TV's "Project Runway" also has a daughter from a past relationship.

'Terminator' spoiler ahead

Well, he said he'd be back — in some form, anyway.

The T-800 killer cyborg famously originated by Arnold Schwarzenegger in the "Terminator" film franchise makes an appearance in the upcoming film, "Terminator Salvation."

A screening was held last Thursday night. The California governor confirmed last month that his likeness "might appear" in the film, which stars Christian Bale as leader of the human resistance against machine conquerors.

Austrian bodybuilder and actor Roland Kickinger plays the humanistic T-800 robot with a familiar face.

Schwarzenegger said he had no time to shoot new footage but technology was used to insert his image from the earlier movies.

"Terminator Salvation" hits on-base theaters May 29.

— The Associated Press



Lawyer: Sutherland wasn't instigator

An investigation by New York City officials into a charge Kiefer Sutherland head-butted a fashion designer at a nightclub will show the star of TV's "24" was not a wrongdoer or instigator, his attorney said Monday.

Sutherland was charged Thursday with third-degree assault in the incident a week ago at a nightclub at the trendy Mercer Hotel in the SoHo neighborhood of Manhattan. The designer, Jack McCollough of the high-end Proenza Schouler fashion house, claims Sutherland broke his nose after an argument at about 2 a.m. Tuesday. Police are also planning to question actress Brooke Shields as a witness.

Representatives for the three celebrities worked to clear up rumors after initially refusing to comment to The Associated Press. "We are troubled by the untruthful and self-serving information circulating regarding Kiefer Sutherland and events of last Monday evening," attorney Michael Miller said in a statement. "Out of respect for this law enforcement process, Kiefer Sutherland will not be making any comment."

Representatives for McCollough said his injuries were more serious than initially noted on the police report. McCollough's nose was broken in several places and he had to seek medical treatment after the altercation.

Shields' attorney, Gerald Lefcourt, wouldn't comment on whether she had been interviewed by police in the case. He said that many statements had been falsely attributed to Shields regarding the incident, and were likely made by people not at the scene.

— The Associated Press



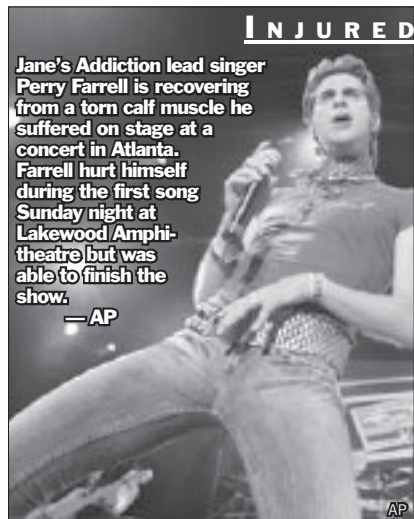
It's over for Price, Andre

British tabloid darling Katie Price and her husband, Peter Andre, are splitting up after more than four years of marriage.

Better known to her male fans as Jordan, the 30-year-old's career kicked off in 1996 when she was picked as one of the topless models who appear daily in The Sun newspaper. It went on to include reality television, a host of product endorsement deals and a series of breast enhancement surgeries — all of which have made her one of the most recognized women in Britain.

Price married the 36-year-old pop singer following their joint appearance on "I'm a Celebrity ... Get Me Out of Here!" in 2004. The pair had two children together: Junior and Princess Tiamii. Price has a third child, Harvey, from a previous relationship with soccer player Dwight Yorke.

— The Associated Press



INJURED
Jane's Addiction lead singer Perry Farrell is recovering from a torn calf muscle he suffered on stage at a concert in Atlanta. Farrell hurt himself during the first song Sunday night at Lakewood Amphitheatre but was able to finish the show.

— AP



Kris Allen, "American Idol" finalist and Conway, Ark., resident, speaks to a crowd of fans during his performance in Little Rock on Friday.

Kris Allen has brought a little bit of rock back to his Arkansas hometown.

The 23-year-old "American Idol" finalist came home on Friday, when an estimated crowd of more than 20,000 packed an area of downtown Conway, about 20 miles north of Little Rock, to hear him belt out Michael Jackson's "Man in the Mirror" and other songs.

Allen appeared a little overwhelmed by the swooning fans, telling them: "You guys are crazy."

The concert was the last big public event on Allen's schedule Friday, which included performances in Little Rock, at the University of Central Arkansas and a parade in his honor just before the Conway show.

All this is for Allen, who's competing for the "Idol" crown and a record con-

tract against Danny Gokey of Milwaukee and Adam Lambert of San Diego when the Fox TV singing contest finale airs May 20.

In Conway, support for the hometown hero is clear. Messages cheering for Allen popped up everywhere — in windows of salons to a bail bonds office.

It's a big change for Conway, where MTV was briefly dropped from a cable lineup in the 1990s over concern for its content. "MTV was just a little too graphic for us," resident Crissy Stevens said with a laugh.

Rachel Burks, an 18-year-old fan of the competition, said she loves judge Simon Cowell, but added that she "wasn't OK" with his recent comparison of Allen's cover of the Beatles' "Come Together" to "eating ice for lunch."

— The Associated Press

Trump says Miss California can retain her crown

Donald Trump says Miss California USA, Carrie Prejean, who caused a stir by expressing opposition to gay marriage and posing in risqué photographs, can retain her crown.

Trump, who owns the Miss

USA pageant, made the announcement Tuesday.

Prejean, 21, failed to reveal before last month's pageant that she had posed in her underwear as a teenager.

Trump says the pageant has determined the photos are

"fine."

Prejean also sparked controversy when she answered a judge's question by saying she believes marriage should be between only a man and a woman.

— The Associated Press

WIRED WORLD



LEFT: MICHAEL PENN, THE JUNEAU (ALASKA) EMPIRE/AP; CENTER: CHRIS PEDOTA, THE (N.J.) RECORD/MCT; RIGHT: TARIQ ZEHAWI, THE (N.J.) RECORD/MCT

Left: Juneau Chief of Police Gregory Browning shows off his Twitter page at his office. The Juneau Police Department is using the Web site to improve communication. **Center:** Police Sgt. Stephen Jones holds his Blackberry displaying his Twitter messages on April 24 in Mercer, N.J. **Right:** Kendall Holt uses his cell phone to post on his Twitter page while waiting to enter the Passaic County Courthouse for his appearance on money laundering charges on April 24 in Paterson, N.J.

Police, charities, even firefighters using Web site to get the message out

BY MICHAEL J. FEENEY
AND KAREN ROUSE

The (Hackensack, N.J.) Record

HACKENSACK, N.J. — When New Jersey state police Sgt. Stephen Jones wanted to track down a car involved in a fatal hit-and-run accident in Hackensack, he decided a Twitter update — or a “tweet” — would be the fastest way to reach the public.

Within minutes, his nearly 300 “followers” on the fast-growing social networking site had access to his message: “Troopers looking for green veh w/ front end damage.” The quick posting was enough to get critical facts out to the media. “The faster I get this info to the reporter, the faster they get it to the public,” Jones said.

Twitter.com — a social networking Web site where users update their “followers” about what they’re doing in postings of up to 140 characters — started out as an easy way for friends, family, co-workers and celebrities to share messages from cell phones or computers. But it is now quickly spreading to the mainstream, with politicians, police departments and charities signing up.

Sen. Bob Menendez, D-N.J., is tweeting. The fire department in Oradell, N.J., is tweeting. Elsewhere in the state, the Hasbrouck Heights police department is tweeting. Even suspects who have been arrested are tweeting: rapper Jim Jones,

“united water repairing water main on elm st near st
joes school. numerous hydrants out of service”
“cat stuck on the roof ... tower ladder is responding”

Tweets by Joe Gothelf
Oradell, N.J., firefighter

accused of not paying parking tickets, and boxing champion Kendall Holt, accused of money laundering.

“You’re going to start seeing more of the law enforcement side [on Twitter],” said Seamus Condron of Mediabistro.com, a Web site that features resources for media professionals. “I think you’re going to start seeing more criminals being caught because of Twitter tipping people off.”

Condron said Twitter can be a helpful tool for emergency workers, particularly in small towns.

“When you think of neighborhood watches, Twitter is a really good way of keeping people apprised of what’s going on in the neighborhood,” Condron said.

Police just need to carefully consider what to put on Twitter, he said. The case of a congressman who tweeted about a secret mission to Iraq is an example of what not to do.

Oradell firefighter Joe Gothelf has been posting messages on the department’s

Twitter page from his cell phone since February. Among his most recent posts:

“united water repairing water main on elm st near st joes school. numerous hydrants out of service”

“cat stuck on the roof ... tower ladder is responding”

Rutgers University professor Greg Lastowka said Twitter is appealing because it’s faster and easier than other social networking sites.

“Twitter taps into the past 10 years of texting and mobile e-mail culture, where short and simple messages have dominated,” said Lastowka, an expert on Internet law.

Melissa Leibe, a 26-year-old Web content coordinator for the Volunteers of Bergen County, created a Twitter page for the agency last fall. Twitter is ideal for a nonprofit because it’s a free tool to market the agency, she said. When 201 Magazine recently featured the volunteer agency in an article, Leibe posted a link to it on the Twitter page.

“We wanted to say, ‘check us out here,’” Leibe said. “It was a bragging right.”

New Jersey’s Senate Republicans use Twitter to steer traffic to the party’s Web site and to get more attention for the GOP’s point of view, said Andrew Pratt, a spokesman.

“We’re ... a minority party, and the minority party doesn’t get the same [level] of coverage,” he said.

But Twitter alone cannot reach all Republicans, or Democrats for that matter.

“Some people have embraced this technology, and they love it,” Pratt said. However, he said there remains “some people you can only reach by e-mail. There are some people you can still only reach by mail or TV. ... There are people who won’t pick up an e-mail, but they’ll go on Facebook. They’ll watch a video, but they won’t read a press release.”

But Park Ridge, N.J., cyber cop Lt. Joseph Rampolla urges users to understand that Twitter can both solve crimes and create them.

Rampolla said he encourages residents to steer away from posting messages that could give the green light to criminals. For example, information on when you are going on vacation and leaving your home unattended.

“Information that sounds to be very non-threatening can put you or your property in danger,” he said.

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YOUR MONEY

Survey: U.S. millionaires pessimistic about future

By LEN BOSELOVIC

Scripps Howard News Service

As if the economy hemorrhaging hundreds of thousands of jobs a month weren't depressing enough, the recession is plaguing America's millionaires.

The Phoenix Company's 10th annual survey of the wealthy finds that 30 percent of them are pessimistic about their financial futures, 74 percent feel less wealthy than they did a year ago and 44 percent fear they will outlive their assets.

"The continuing economic turmoil has stripped America's millionaires of their confidence and sense of security. They are feeling far worse off than they did during the last economic downturn in 2003," said Walter H. Zultowski, senior vice president of Hartford, Conn.-based Phoenix, which sells insurance and annuities to high-net-worth individuals.

Zultowski has never seen such bearish sentiment in the 10 years he's conducted the survey.

"This high-net-worth group is a pretty good reader of what's going on in the marketplace," he said.

Mel Fugate, a Southern Methodist University professor who specializes in management and leadership issues, believes that most will respond to the problems of the affluent with "very little sympathy and certainly no

empathy."

The assets of the affluent "are far beyond what the average American can comprehend," he said.

"When bad things happen to wealthy people, the average person sees that as the fault of the wealthy," Fugate added.

Witness the magnitude of the outrage over bonuses at taxpayer-owned AIG. Or the lack of tears over the departure of GM Chairman-CEO Rick Wagoner, who took a corporate jet to make his bailout plea to Congress last fall.

"I would like to see the wealthy making very significant efforts and gestures that would turn this thing around," said James Weber, who teaches business ethics at Duquesne University.

"All stakeholders in an organization should share in the belt-tightening."

In that regard, U.S. Steel and MSA announced that their CEOs will take 20 percent salary cuts in response to the global recession. To what extent the measures will engender a feeling that "we're all in this together" — particularly at U.S. Steel, where 7,000 hourly workers have been laid off since last fall — remains to be seen.

Fugate says such actions can instill confidence among the taxpayers and workers whom corporate leaders must rely on to respond to the recession.



Mike Gansler, director of core technology with Segway Inc., drives a Personal Urban Mobility and Accessibility, or PUMA, in New York last month.

JIN LEE/AP

Is recession suffocating American innovation?

By DEB RIECHMANN

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Got a bright business idea? Take a number.

Americans haven't stopped dreaming up newfangled gizmos

or sketching engineering marvels on the back of cocktail napkins. But tight credit and business cutbacks have slowed the pace of getting new U.S. innovations to market.

Venture capital investments have plummeted. Lenders aren't lining up to fund business start-ups. New patent applications are down at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, creating a budget crisis at the agency, which depends on money from fees to keep operating.

If patent fee revenue continues at its current rate, the office will end the budget year collecting roughly \$100 million below projections.

That puts the patent office in a Catch-22. After several years of hiring more than 1,200 patent examiners a year, the office has suspended hiring, trimmed overtime and made other cutbacks. This comes as the office and its 6,000 examiners are struggling to whittle down a backlog of 770,000 new, unexamined applications.

"Innovation is the way America generally gets out of downturns," said Robert Budens, president of the Patent Office Professional Association. The group represents 4,000 examiners and other patent professionals, many of whom worry the recession will mean layoffs before the end of the year.

"At the Patent Office, we're one of the key drivers of stimulating innovation and for us to get to the point where we might have to furlough or have a reduction in force would just be horrible," he said.

So far, companies that spend the most on innovation have resisted the temptation to raid their research and development budgets. They're opting to ride out the recession with an eye to future sales, according to Booz & Co., which surveys the world's 1,000 largest, publicly traded,

corporate research and development spenders.

Although those budgets often are set months in advance, recent data that Booz collected on about 400 of the companies shows that research spending rose 2 percent from the first quarter of 2008 to the fourth quarter.

"The recession has caused us to be very conservative in a lot of areas, but research and development is not one of them," said James Norrod, president and chief executive officer of Segway Inc., the Bedford, N.H.-based maker of two-wheeled, stand-up vehicles.

Matthew Sampson, an intellectual property lawyer at McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff in Chicago, says business hasn't slowed yet, but that patent work usually lags during downturns.

"I'm actually a little bit nervous about next year," Sampson said.

Businesses, however, have begun cherry-picking the ideas they want to shepherd through the expensive patent process. Seed money to nurture innovation also is drying up.

Basement inventors are really feeling the pinch.

"A lot of independent inventors get their start by floating their expenses on charge cards and of course charge card credit lines have been greatly restricted," said Ronald Riley, the man behind numerous patents including those related to the automated industrial monorail and the treadmill.

"For independent inventors, at least until they achieve some commercial success, the money for patenting comes out of discretionary income. It doesn't mean they're not inventing, it just means they're just not going to file until things improve," said Riley, founder of the Professional Inventors Alliance.

MONDAY'S MARKET SUMMARY

INDEXES

52-week		Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	% Chg	52-wk
High	Low						Low % Chg
13,136.69	6,469.95	Dow Jones Industrials	8,418.77	-155.88	-1.82	-4.07	-34.62
5,536.57	2,134.21	Dow Jones Transportation	3,221.73	-129.44	-3.86	-8.92	-38.75
530.57	288.66	Dow Jones Utilities	347.29	-3.17	-0.90	-6.33	-32.33
9,687.24	4,181.75	NYSE Composite	5,849.30	-151.09	-2.52	-1.60	-37.89
2,433.31	1,130.47	Amex Index	1,489.90	-32.85	-2.16	-6.61	-36.83
2,551.47	1,265.52	Nasdaq Composite	1,731.24	-7.76	-0.45	-9.78	-30.43
1,440.24	666.79	S&P 500	909.24	-19.99	-2.15	-6.66	-35.22
897.37	397.97	S&P MidCap	573.45	-13.45	-2.29	-6.53	-33.62
14,564.81	6,772.29	Wilshire 5000	9,309.51	-200.05	-2.10	-2.45	-34.40
764.38	342.59	Russell 2000	501.94	-9.88	-1.93	+5.50	-31.54

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)					AMEX					NASDAQ				
Name	Vol	(00)	Last	Chg	Name	Vol	(00)	Last	Chg	Name	Vol	(00)	Last	Chg
Citigrp	4682258	3.86	-1.23	-16	PSCrudeOil	228651	3.46	-0.04	-0.4	PwShs QQQ	1374391	34.35	+1.2	+12
BkofAm	3955448	12.94	-1.23	-1.23	Hemisphx	188118	1.08	+0.10	+3.0	FifthThird	989966	8.35	-1.4	-14
DirFinBear	2997932	5.13	+6.4	+6.4	Oilsands	82153	1.04	+0.10	+10	CellTher	880933	1.62	+4.7	+47
SPDR	2296836	91.24	-1.74	-1.74	KodiakO	44145	1.18	+0.28	+28	HuntBnk	759842	5.71	+5.1	+51
DirFinBull	2014604	10.52	-2.03	-2.03	NthmTm	35951	1.85	+1.14	+14	USShip	688783	6.79	-1.21	-121
SPDR Fnd	1972681	12.26	-0.76	-0.76	GoLSt	30909	1.75	+0.08	+8	Intel	677465	15.37	+0.8	+8
WellsFargo	1797284	26.53	-1.65	-1.65	EdgOrd	28341	8.34	-0.15	-15	MicroSoft	622781	19.32	-1.0	-10
AmIntGp	1186128	1.90	-1.11	-1.11	Tasoko	16865	1.42	-0.03	-3	SunMicro	489717	8.91	-2.2	-22
ProUFin	1030581	4.24	-0.50	-0.50	BootsCts	16177	1.20	-0.10	-10	Cisco	437929	18.61	-1.2	-12
CapOne	1018823	27.10	-4.24	-4.24	BarcGSOL	15092	21.21	-1.10	-10	ETrade	404473	1.78	-1.9	-19

KEY DEFENSE STOCKS

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	%Chg	YTD %Chg
Alliant Technosystem	...	20	87.27	-32	-1.8	+1.8
Boeing	1.68	16	44.72	-1.11	-2.5	+4.8
Computer Sciences	...	6	37.52	+0.4	+1.1	+6.8
General Dynamics	1.52	9	54.13	-1.75	-3.2	+4.8
General Electric	...	30	14.19	-3.34	-23.4	-12.4
Halliburton	...	46	15.22	-1.06	-6.9	+2.5
Harris Corp.	...	80	12.81	+1.28	+10.0	-20.5
Allied Signal	1.21	10	33.64	-1.08	-3.2	+2.5
L-3 Communications	1.40	11	77.30	-2.41	-3.1	+4.8
Lockheed Martin	2.28	10	80.35	-2.11	-2.6	+4.4
Northrop	...	40	49.29	-1.25	-2.5	+9.4
Raytheon	1.24	11	47.66	-1.61	-3.4	+6.6
Rockwell Int'l	1.16	11	32.82	-1.86	-5.7	+1.8
Textron	...	44	18.72	-0.4	-2.1	+11.2
United Technologies	...	08	9.16	-0.33	-3.6	-16.1
United Technologies	1.54	12	52.50	-1.05	-2.0	-2.1

KEY MUTUAL FUNDS

Name	NAV	Chg	%Chg	YTD %Ret
Fidelity Invest: GroCo	53.83	-46	-0.9	+9.9
Fidelity Spartan: EqlDnv	32.22	-69	-2.1	+1.7
Fidelity Invest: USBI	10.83	-0.8	-7.4	+1.9
Fidelity Invest: Grnlnc	13.16	-0.3	-2.3	+2.2
Fidelity Invest: ALMGr50	11.74	-0.4	-3.4	+8.9
Fidelity Invest: Oversea	25.70	-51	-2.0	+2.5
Amer Century Inv: Ultra	15.35	-21	-1.4	+6.2
Putnam Funds A: GRNA p	9.73	-26	-2.7	+4.2
AIM Investments A: CharA p	12.26	-26	-2.1	+6.5
AIM Investments A: Const p	16.46	-13	-0.8	+2.3
Frank/Temp Frnk A: SMCpGrA	22.61	-38	-1.7	+1.4
DWS Invest S: GrnlncS	11.48	-27	-2.4	+5.2
Fidelity Advisor T: EqlT	17.18	-53	-3.1	+1.4
Fidelity Advisor T: GrOpT	21.79	-21	-1.0	+14.4
DWS Invest S: Intl Fds	35.91	-98	-2.8	+3.6
Putnam Funds A: GLOEtp	6.52	-15	-2.3	+2.4
Lord Abbett A: DevGIA p	12.08	-09	-0.8	+13.9
Fidelity Advisor T: Oversea	13.44	-30	-2.2	+1.1
DWS Invest S: CorPstnc	9.72	-07	-0.7	+1.8

EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Japanese yen (May 13)	96.00
South Korean won (May 13)	1,212.00
Euro costs (May 13)	\$1.4035
Dollar buys (May 13)	€ 0.7125
British pound (May 13)	\$1.57

Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3770
British pound	\$1.5251
Canada (Dollar)	1.1627
China (Yuan)	6.8238
Denmark (Krone)	5.4585
Egypt (Pound)	5.6184
Euro	\$1.3649/7326
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.7500
Hungary (Forint)	204.67
Israel (Shekel)	4.1020
Japan (Yen)	96.76
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2898
Norway (Krone)	6.4426
Philippines (Peso)	47.20
Poland (Zloty)	3.22
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7502
Singapore (Dollar)	1.4568
South Korea (Won)	1,233.10
Switzerland (Franc)	1.1048
Thailand (Baht)	34.56
Turkey (New Lira)	1.5605

(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check with your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are interbank rates provided for reference when buying currency. All figures are foreign currencies to one dollar, except for the British pound, which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is dollars-to-euro.)

PRECIOUS METALS

New York Merc close	
Gold	\$913.00
Silver	\$13.890

INTEREST RATES

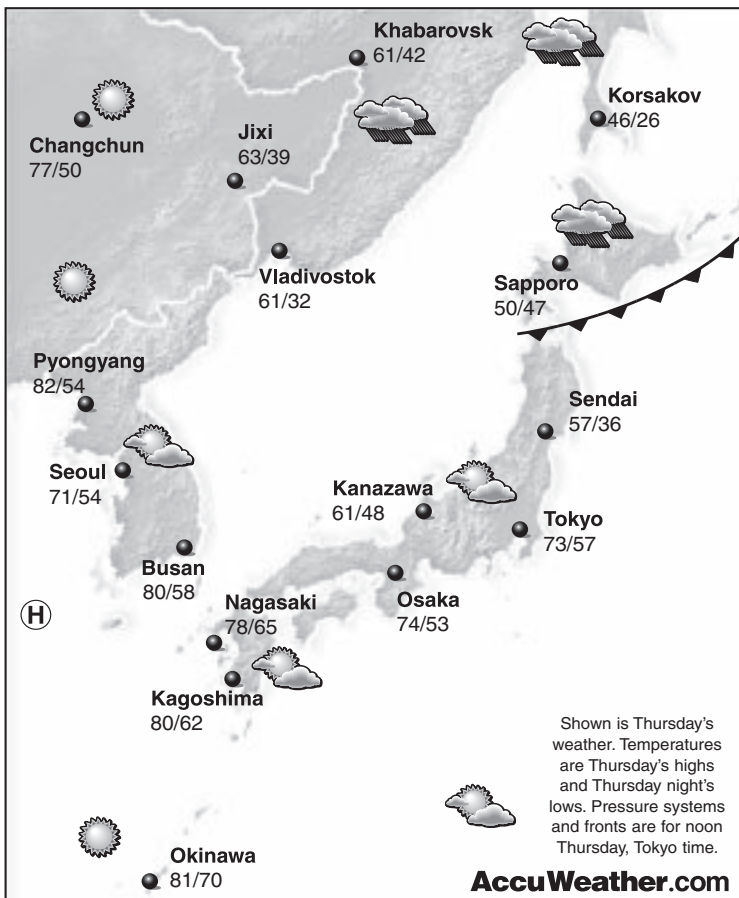
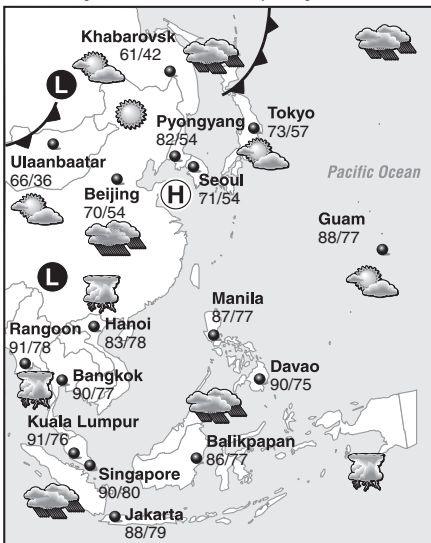
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Discount rate	0.50
Federal funds market rate	0.00-0.25
3-month bill	0.17
30-year bond	4.18

Sources: Bank of America, The Associated Press

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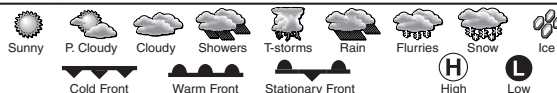
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Sasebo	10:39 a.m.	5:12 a.m.	none	5:19 p.m.
Naha	9:20 a.m.	3:38 a.m.	11:03 p.m.	4:15 p.m.
Hachinohe	4:46 a.m.	12:15 p.m.	7:40 p.m.	none
Korea				
Cheju Island/Sogwipo	1:35 a.m.	8:45 a.m.	1:51 p.m.	8:05 p.m.
Kunsan	6:33 a.m.	12:45 a.m.	6:45 p.m.	1:27 p.m.
Guam				
Apra Harbor	9:28 a.m.	5:09 a.m.	none	5:05 p.m.
Friday				
Japan				
Yokosuka	7:02 a.m.	1:56 a.m.	9:44 p.m.	2:21 p.m.
Sasebo	12:06 a.m.	5:54 a.m.	11:19 a.m.	6:01 p.m.
Naha	10:01 a.m.	4:22 a.m.	11:55 p.m.	4:59 p.m.
Hachinohe	5:22 a.m.	12:02 a.m.	8:28 p.m.	12:54 p.m.
Korea				
Cheju Island/Sogwipo	2:09 a.m.	9:22 a.m.	2:33 p.m.	8:30 p.m.
Kunsan	7:10 a.m.	1:21 a.m.	7:27 p.m.	2:05 p.m.
Guam				
Apra Harbor	12:37 a.m.	6:01 a.m.	10:10 a.m.	5:49 p.m.

For tides at other sites apply minutes to Naha tides:
 Sukku, Ora Wan: -39, Sesoko Bay: +11 high and low tide;
 Uten Ko: -7 high, -8 low, Yonabaru, Buckner Bay: -44 high, -42 low.



Shown is Thursday's weather. Temperatures are Thursday's highs and Thursday night's lows. Pressure systems and fronts are for noon Thursday, Tokyo time.

AccuWeather.com



CANADA

City	Hi	Lo	W
Calgary	48	33	Rain
Edmonton	55	31	PCldy
Halifax	59	42	PCldy
Iqaluit	28	17	Sun
Montreal	64	46	Rain
Ottawa	62	47	Rain
Quebec	61	41	Rain
Regina	49	29	Cldy
Toronto	66	51	Tstm
Vancouver	60	48	PCldy
Whitehorse	49	32	Cldy
Windsor	70	51	Tstm
Winnipeg	50	30	PCldy
Yellowknife	37	22	Cldy

EUROPE

City	Hi	Lo	W
Amsterdam	59	48	Cldy
Athens	82	64	Cldy
Belgrade	83	61	Cldy
Berlin	63	45	PCldy
Brussels	59	50	Rain
Dublin	55	45	Rain
Glasgow	60	36	PCldy
Lisbon	66	54	Shwr
London	61	50	Rain
Madrid	72	41	PCldy
Moscow	52	37	Cldy
Paris	68	52	Shwr
Rome	77	59	PCldy
Warsaw	61	37	Sun

MIDDLE EAST

City	Hi	Lo	W
Ashgabat	77	59	Sun
Baghdad	101	67	Sun
Cairo	87	64	Sun
Dhahran	100	78	Sun
Islamabad	111	72	Sun
Incirlik	90	68	Sun
Kabul	85	47	Sun
Kandahar	105	68	Sun
Karachi	92	87	Sun
Kuwait	102	88	Cldy
Mazar-e-Sharif	95	65	PCldy
Tehran	82	68	Sun
Tel Aviv	77	64	Sun
Zahedan	96	65	Sun

AFRICA

City	Hi	Lo	W
Abidjan	86	73	Rain
Algiers	68	59	Shwr
Cape Town	62	54	Shwr
Casablanca	70	49	Sun
Durban	78	59	Sun
Freetown	90	73	Sun
Kano	102	71	Sun
Khartoum	105	70	Sun
Kisangani	79	65	Tstm
Luanda	83	74	PCldy
Malakal	96	68	PCldy
Mogadishu	85	78	Shwr
Tabora	84	63	PCldy
Timbuktu	117	71	Sun

LATIN AMERICA

City	Hi	Lo	W
Acapulco	90	77	PCldy
Bogota	65	47	Shwr
Buenos Aires	54	45	Shwr
Cancun	88	72	Sun
Havana	87	70	Rain
Kingston	86	77	Rain
Lima	78	60	PCldy
Mexico City	78	54	Tstm
Nassau	85	77	Sun
Puerto Plata	84	72	Shwr
Rio de Janeiro	85	66	PCldy
Santiago	66	43	Sun
Santo Domingo	83	71	Rain
San Jose	76	68	Tstm

ASIA / PACIFIC

City	Hi	Lo	W
Auckland	63	56	PCldy
Colombo	87	78	PCldy
Darwin	89	72	Sun
Dhaka	92	81	Tstm
Hong Kong	88	77	Sun
Kathmandu	90	64	Tstm
Melbourne	62	52	Cldy
Mumbai	86	80	Sun
New Delhi	104	81	Sun
Phnom Penh	91	77	Tstm
Shanghai	70	68	PCldy
Sydney	68	50	Sun
Taipei	86	74	Shwr
Xining	62	42	Shwr

THURSDAY'S STATESIDE OUTLOOK

City	Hi	Lo	W
Abilene, TX	85	67	Tstm
Akron, OH	71	51	Tstm
Albany, NY	68	53	Tstm
Albuquerque	85	56	Sun
Allentown, PA	68	54	Tstm
Amarillo	74	59	PCldy
Anchorage	61	42	Sun
Asheville	79	56	Tstm
Atlanta	81	63	Tstm
Atlantic City	69	57	Tstm
Austin	88	67	Tstm
Baltimore	73	58	Tstm
Baton Rouge	88	67	Tstm
Billings	62	41	Cldy
Birmingham	83	65	Tstm
Bismarck	67	39	PCldy
Boise	68	46	Tstm
Boston	67	55	Tstm
Bridgeport	83	55	Tstm
Brownsville	90	75	Tstm
Buffalo	65	50	Tstm
Burlington	71	57	Tstm
Caribou, ME	62	45	PCldy
Casper	69	38	Cldy
Charleston, SC	83	63	Tstm
Charleston, WV	76	57	Tstm
Charlotte, NC	82	63	PCldy
Chattanooga	83	63	Tstm
Cheyenne	68	43	PCldy
Chicago	67	47	Sun
Cincinnati	73	52	Tstm
Cleveland	71	48	Tstm

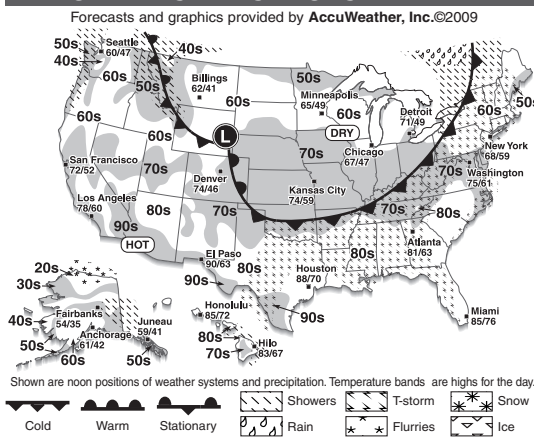
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Colorado Sprgs.	72	49	PCldy
Columbia, SC	85	61	PCldy
Columbus, GA	85	65	Tstm
Columbus, OH	74	53	Tstm
Concord, NH	71	52	Tstm
Corpus Christi	88	72	PCldy
Dallas	86	68	Tstm
Dayton	72	53	Tstm
Daytona Beach	84	69	Tstm
Denver	74	46	PCldy
Des Moines	72	54	PCldy
Detroit	71	49	Tstm
Duluth	62	36	PCldy
El Paso	90	63	Sun
Elkins	75	51	Tstm
Erie	70	48	Tstm
Eugene	63	41	Cldy
Evansville	72	57	Tstm
Fairbanks	54	35	PCldy
Fargo	62	43	PCldy
Flagstaff	74	37	Sun
Flint	68	46	Tstm
Fort Smith	79	63	Tstm
Fort Wayne	73	48	Tstm
Fresno	88	60	Sun
Goodland	73	51	PCldy
Grand Junction	84	52	PCldy
Grand Rapids	69	45	Sun
Great Falls	56	34	Cldy
Green Bay	68	41	Sun
Greensboro, NC	82	63	PCldy
Harrisburg	68	57	Tstm

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Hartford	69	54	Tstm
Helena	59	39	Cldy
Honolulu	85	72	Sun
Houston	88	70	PCldy
Huntsville	82	63	Tstm
Indianapolis	73	57	Tstm
Jackson, MS	84	66	Tstm
Jacksonville	84	65	Tstm
Juneau	59	41	PCldy
Kansas City	74	59	Cldy
Key West	85	76	Sun
Knoxville	82	61	Tstm
Lake Charles	87	69	PCldy
Lansing	69	44	Tstm
Las Vegas	96	73	Sun
Lexington	75	56	Tstm
Lincoln	74	53	PCldy
Little Rock	85	66	Tstm
Los Angeles	78	60	PCldy
Louisville	75	59	Tstm
Lubbock	75	63	PCldy
Macon	87	63	Tstm
Madison	68	43	Sun
Medford	72	45	Cldy
Memphis	82	68	Tstm
Miami	85	76	Sun
Midland	85	65	Sun
Milwaukee	68	44	Sun
Minneapolis	65	49	Sun
Mobile	85	67	Tstm
Montgomery	85	66	Tstm
Nashville	77	62	Tstm

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New York City	68	59	Tstm
Newark	66	58	Tstm
Norfolk	75	64	Tstm
North Platte	75	48	PCldy
Oklahoma City	77	63	Tstm
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Orlando	87	69	Tstm
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Pendleton	66	45	Cldy
Peoria	72	53	PCldy
Philadelphia	72	58	Tstm
Phoenix	101	72	Sun
Pittsburgh	74	53	Tstm
Pocatello	67	38	Tstm
Portland, ME	61	50	Tstm
Portland, OR	63	49	Cldy
Providence	67	53	Tstm
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Rapid City	70	44	Cldy
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Santa Fe	81	46	Sun
St. Louis	72	58	Tstm
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Sioux City	72	49	PCldy
Sioux Falls	71	49	Sun
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Spokane	58	42	Rain
Springfield, IL	73	54	Cldy
Springfield, MO	73	60	Cldy
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR/OPINION

Generalizations aren't facts

"DHS report factual" (letter, May 11) wants us to believe that the Department of Homeland Security's generalized statement grouping us with Timothy McVeigh makes it factual. Some veterans commit rape, so should we fear all returning veterans will commit rape?

Buying guns after the election has no correlation to returning veterans. Millions who have never served bought and own guns legally for hunting and protection. It's a correlation between Americans fearing their Second Amendment rights will be taken away by the Democratic Congress and administration because of those leaders' views on guns.

The letter's generalizations are asinine and destructive. If the writer wants to make the assumption that DHS' generalization of veterans is fact, then I guess this generalization would also be true, given his perception of fact: "Recently Democratic congressmen and a former Democratic president have traveled to, supported and helped supply hundreds of millions of tax dollars to countries and organizations that sponsor terrorism, terrorists who have killed tens of thousands of people and thousands of Americans. Therefore, with these facts, the DHS should put out a warning that all Democrats sponsor radical terrorists and we should keep our eye on them." Of course this would be just as ridiculous!

Generalizations are not facts, and they have hurt America over the years. DHS did not have supporting facts, only an as-

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sumption based off a few wackos who once served years ago.

So, do some fact-searching and research before making generalized statements. God bless the American veteran!

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Notes on commissary music

I'd like to add some general information to the discussion regarding the playing of

music in Defense Commissary Agency Europe commissaries.

American Forces Network is the station of choice in commissaries for several reasons. First, it is the official military station, and, in addition to playing music, it is used to broadcast important announcements, news and information of great use to military members and their families. Because its audience is a mix of ages, ethnicity, gender and personality, playing music appealing to all is an enormous challenge. Where rock may offend one listener, Mozart may offend another.

One writer suggested commissaries switch to commercial radio stations for full-time classical music ("Classical music can calm us," letter, April 29), which brings up an important point: If the commissaries play commercial stations, they must have a contract with those stations giving them the rights to rebroadcast the music. The same is true if the commissaries broadcast CDs.

Muzak, sometimes called "elevator" music, is also an expense not programmed into our funding. Another issue with commercial radio stations is the language of choice — most would not be broadcasting in English.

It would be difficult to justify extra expenditures for the licensing of commercial music when the English-language official AFN radio is at our free disposal at nearly every commissary we operate in Europe.

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Strong U.S.-Japan defense relations crucial

The Yomiuri Shimbun (MCT) editorial

Strengthening the Japan-U.S. security alliance is becoming increasingly important in light of North Korea's intimidating version of diplomacy that it carries out through its nuclear weapons and missile programs.

To accomplish this, it is crucial for defense officials from the two countries to deepen strategic dialogue and substantially work to expand defense cooperation. The target cannot be achieved merely through talks between Prime Minister Taro Aso and U.S. President Barack Obama. ...

Defense Minister Yasukazu Hamada and U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates agreed during talks in Washington earlier this month that Japan and the United States would cooperate more closely in dealing with North Korean issues.

North Korea's launch of a ballistic missile in April provided a good opportunity for the two countries to reconfirm the importance of Japan-U.S. cooperation. ...

Tokyo and Washington first saw signs that Pyongyang was planning a missile launch more than two months prior to the event. This was followed by efforts to deploy their missile defense units, and when the missile was launched, they tracked and analyzed its path with radar. All this can be

regarded as proof that the Japan-U.S. defense partnership served its purpose well in dealing with the situation.

Diplomatic negotiations such as the six-party talks are the main stage on which North Korea's nuclear and missile threats will be mitigated or removed. However, a fundamental pillar for such diplomacy rests on a military deterrent to North Korea, including the U.S. armed presence in Japan and South Korea.

With this in mind, the opportunities for talks between the Japanese and U.S. defense chiefs, such as this most recent meet, are too sparse. Hamada's visit to the U.S. marked the first visit to that country in 21 months for a defense minister, and the Japanese and U.S. defense chiefs met only once last year. ...

This year, Japan will revise its National Defense Program Guidelines, and the United States will work on its Quadrennial Defense Review and Nuclear Posture Review. This will provide the two countries with an excellent opportunity to coordinate their defense policies and the direction of defense capability development.

Meanwhile, Kurt Campbell, former deputy assistant secretary of defense, is scheduled to become assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs in the Obama administration, while Wallace

Gregson, former commander of U.S. Marine Forces, Japan, is scheduled to become assistant secretary of defense for Asia and the Pacific. The two nominees, who were involved in a review of U.S. bases in Okinawa prefecture and the Guidelines for Japan-U.S. Defense Cooperation under President Bill Clinton, are well-versed in Japan. They are ideal partners for Japan in negotiations on defense issues.

Next year marks the 50th anniversary of the revised Japan-U.S. Security Treaty. Ideas are being floated with regard to drawing up a new joint document that will follow the 1996 Japan-U.S. Joint Declaration on Security.

To make such a document substantive, it is necessary to consider what kind of form the Japan-U.S. security alliance should take a decade hence, and set strategic goals. ...

It is now necessary to have full discussions on Japan's defense and contingencies in areas around Japan as well as how to review the division of roles by the Self-Defense Forces and the U.S. forces in international peace cooperation activities. Thorough discussions also are needed on how to deal with China, which has been rapidly emerging as a military superpower in recent years, and the situation on the Korean peninsula, which is expected to remain uncertain for the foreseeable future.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



OPINION

If we don't 'hold and build,' we'll lose Iraq

BY ANTHONY H. CORDESMAN

Despite the violence of the past few weeks, it is Iraq that now risks becoming the "forgotten war." Iraq has become both a perceived "victory" and a war that many Americans and members of Congress would like to forget. As a result, we may rush toward the "exit" without a strategy — and lose both the ongoing war and the peace that could follow.

It is all too easy to forget that we "won" in Vietnam. We left having defeated the Viet Cong, having forced North Vietnam to halt its offensives — and having gotten a Nobel Prize for the settlement. We created something approaching a functioning democracy, a reasonable level of development, and Vietnamese forces that seemed able to defend both without our support. It only took a few years, however, to show how costly an exit without a strategy can be.

There are limits to what we can do in Iraq. We cannot force Iraqis into political accommodation. We cannot develop their economy for them. And we cannot act as a last-minute substitute for effective Iraqi forces or the creation of local security and a rule of law. But there are steps we can and should take to complete the "clear, hold and build" strategy that has changed the war so dramatically since 2007.

First, we need to ensure that Iraq can finish "winning" and continue to "hold." We should

make clear that we will be flexible about the speed and level of our withdrawal of U.S. forces if an elected Iraqi government needs a limited amount of added help to defeat al-Qaida and establish national security. We should also make clear that U.S. military advisory teams, including the embedded advisers necessary to make Iraqi combat forces fully independent and effective, will stay as long as Iraq wants them. We should be prepared to maintain and strengthen our advisory teams to help Iraq develop effective police and a criminal justice system.

If necessary, we should provide military assistance and equipment until Iraq can emerge from the budget crisis triggered by the collapse of world oil prices — a crisis that has sharply cut its planned budget to \$58.6 billion from an anticipated \$78 billion. The revenue shortfall has also forced a freeze on the expansion of Iraqi forces when the country needs some 60,000 recruits in the coming year and has delayed most major equipment purchases.

Second, we must help Iraq "build." U.S. help will steadily grow more important as the necessary transition from armed nation-building to post-conflict reconstruction occurs over the next three to four years. This means keeping our economic and governance advisers in place as long as Iraq wants them. It means keeping our Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRTs) in the



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A girl observes a U.S. Army soldier from the 82nd Airborne Brigade as his unit secures a street in Baghdad on Saturday.

field and replacing their military members with civilians. It means a major U.S. effort to support Iraq in dealing with both the International Monetary Fund and its debt and reparations problems. It might require carefully targeted economic aid in select areas. Iraq's budgetary and governance problems are solvable, but they will require years of additional aid and support.

Active U.S. diplomacy will be equally important in helping Iraq move toward political accommodation and minimizing the risk of new conflicts between Arabs and Kurds, Sunnis and Shiites, or local violence. It will be critical to working with a strong U.N. team, and it should involve doing ev-

erything possible to seek support from other Arab states, Turkey, and even (possibly) Iran.

The final dimension of the "hold" effort requires giving the highest possible priority to helping Iraq develop its oil fields and renovate and increase its export capabilities. This does not mean financial aid. It means recognizing that some 95 percent of the Iraqi government's revenue will come from oil exports over the next five years and that fixing the petroleum sector as quickly as possible is the only way for Iraq to obtain the money and government revenue that can hold the country together and fund security and stability.

Iraq can maintain and ex-

pand its petroleum exports only through major investment and the technology transfers that come from foreign oil companies. ... Helping Iraq does not mean pushing it into contracts with American firms or those that are not to Iraq's clear advantage. It does mean giving U.S. firms and teamed U.S. and foreign oil company efforts proper support, and prioritizing open, competitive bidding managed by the Iraqi government. Without this, Iraq cannot find the money to help bridge its ethnic and sectarian divisions, unemployment will get even worse, and young men will turn back toward violence. ... In the short term, Iraq has no other options.

Yes, some of these actions will cost U.S. lives and dollars. Such costs, though, will be far lower than the mid- to long-term cost of throwing away a high probability of leaving Iraq with lasting security and stability. The U.S. must find a way to leave Iraq that ensures the stability of the Persian Gulf — a region with close to half of the world's known oil and gas reserves and where America's future credibility will be as critical to dealing with jihadist terrorism as is the war in Afghanistan and Pakistan. In strategic terms, Vietnam was always expendable. Iraq and the Gulf are not.

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Slavery still exists, and Obama must address it

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ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. Facing the old slave market from the sea, you can try to imagine what it was like to arrive here as a captive in the 1500s, with a future of forced servitude as your fate. You can try, but you can never grasp the totality of the horror. In those long-gone days, ships sailed right up to the market and unloaded their cargo, including human beings. Slavery, though legal then, was loathsome.

It still is. Even worse, after nearly a half-millennium, slavery (also known as human trafficking) — though illegal everywhere — is sickeningly prevalent across the world. More people than ever endure its shackles, living under a perpetual threat of violence and only dreaming about freedom. Their number ranges close to 30 million. Yet, they are typically as faceless and voiceless as their predecessors were over the centuries.

Why does slavery persist? In the simplest of terms, it is because too many people continue to harbor feelings of superiority toward others and subjugate them. Further, too many hypocritical governments pretend to care about human-trafficking victims even as they wink at slave-traders. Also, in a globalizing world, too many opportunities exist to exploit human beings, a problem multiplied by greed, corruption and, most recently, the recession.

Life has been cheap — shamefully so — in recent decades. Today, though, as hard as it is to believe, the average cost of a slave has dropped below \$100. At that price, people become essentially dispos-

able. If a slave disobeys, fails to perform, tries to escape or otherwise falls into disfavor, the solution is easy and commonly without consequences for the slave-owner. Because many slaves have already had their identities erased, their premature passing fails to register.

Still, justice beckons. For nearly a decade, the U.S. government has closely monitored and reported on human-trafficking trends, criticized governments with lax anti-slavery records and pushed for greater global cooperation. ...

Clearly, the moment is opportune to raise the human-trafficking problem to a much-higher priority, with the goal of moving aggressively toward eliminating this despicable practice. Three steps by the Obama administration during the coming

year would propel us in that direction:

1. Unequivocally declare the goal of ending slavery in our time. Obama should make a high-profile speech devoted exclusively to the topic of human trafficking as both a U.S. and global phenomenon. Realistically, some elements of slavery would survive, but many abolitionists believe — and they are on target — it is possible to suppress the bulk of it within a few decades.

2. Announce a presidential task force, packed with appropriate expertise, to investigate contemporary slavery. Such a group would be instrumental in developing a broader counter-slavery strategy. The U.S. must have an integrated, comprehensive plan. Its focus should be on preventing the problem, protecting victims and prosecuting slave-traders.

3. Carry the message of urgent eradication to the world. Using his personal appeal and power of persuasion, President Barack Obama should make full use of opportunities at the United Nations and on trips abroad to remind people of the collective responsibility they have to resolve the slavery problem. ...

Now, I am sure some people will ask why a president who clearly has his hands [full] ... would add slavery to his list. Simply put, because it, too, is a major challenge. Moreover, slavery is morally wrong, inexcusable and an abomination. That it still exists and thrives in the 21st century should be acceptable to no one.

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Prickly City



BY SCOTT STANTIS

Man freed after skipping jury duty

TX MCKINNEY — A Texas man arrested for allegedly failing to appear for jury duty has been released from jail after spending 83 days behind bars.

A newspaper inquiry led to the release of 34-year-old Douglas Maupin.

Online court records show Maupin left jail a day after The Dallas Morning News brought his plight to the attention of a Collin County judge.

He could not pay his \$1,500 bond and said his attempt to get a public defender was rebuffed by a jail clerk.

Ex-beauty queen gets jail time for bad checks

NJ NEWARK — A former New Jersey beauty pageant winner has been sentenced to a year in jail for bouncing more than \$70,000 in bad checks to purchase antique furniture.

Heather "Hedy" Di Carlo also was given five years' probation in state Superior Court in Newark.

Di Carlo won the Mrs. New Jersey crown in 2005.

She pleaded guilty in January to theft by deception and writing bad checks.

Her attorney says she fell into debt after a divorce.

EPA to oversee TVA coal ash cleanup

TN KNOXVILLE — The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is stepping in to assume oversight of a massive coal ash spill in Tennessee that brought national attention to the environmental risks of storing the byproducts of coal-generated electricity.

Until now, the cleanup of 5.4 million cubic yards of coal ash that spilled Dec. 22 from the Tennessee Valley Authority's Kingston Fossil Plant has been led by Tennessee environmental regulators with assistance from EPA.

Teenager challenges school dress code

AZ YUMA — Justin Wright wants his Arizona middle school to do the right thing by letting students choose their own school clothes.

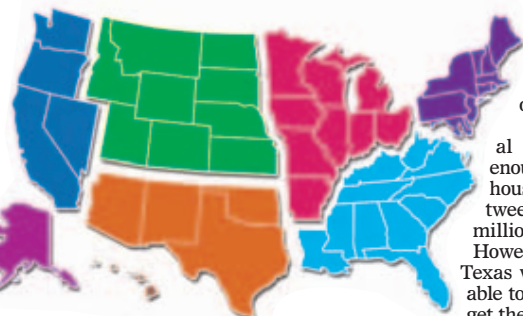
The (Yuma) Sun reported that 14-year-old Justin has collected 250 signatures from fellow students at Centennial Middle School to repeal the dress code.

He says the policy violates students' free speech rights and costs families more money to buy special clothing for school.

Crane school district spokesman Chris Weigel says students' rights aren't being infringed upon and research shows uniforms are less expensive than street clothes.

Twins arrested for brutal attack on store clerk

MA ABINGTON — Twin brothers have been arrested for allegedly attacking an Abington convenience store clerk with a hammer and hot coffee dur-



AMERICAN ROUNDUP

ing a robbery.

Police say Joseph Kitchens, of Marshfield, and Stephen Kitchens, of Brockton, both 30, are charged with armed robbery and assault and battery.

The attack at a 7-Eleven store was captured on surveillance video, and police said public tips helped lead them to the suspects.

The video showed one man hitting the clerk on the head with a hammer. The second then threw coffee in the clerk's face.

Alpine, water slides high on state's injury list

NH BARTLETT — More people got injured on the alpine and water slides at the Attitash ski area in the last three years than all of New Hampshire's other carnival and amusement rides combined, according to state records.

Ride operators are required to file an accident report if an injured person seeks or is advised to seek medical attention beyond an on-site first-aid station.

A review of media reports found there were 17 injuries on Attitash's water slide between 2006 and 2008, six accidents on water slides and one on a trampoline attraction.

Lawmakers want to protect water resources

OK OKLAHOMA CITY — With the close of the legislative session nearing, Oklahoma lawmakers are working on a solution to make sure the state doesn't end up giving away water to Texas.

A regional water district in Texas has filed a lawsuit to lift

a 2002 moratorium preventing Oklahoma from selling its water outside the state.

The Tarrant Regional Water District wants enough water for 460,000 households, at a price between \$15 million and \$65 million annually.

However, it's possible the Texas water district would be able to apply for a permit and get the water free of charge if it wins the court case.

Tornado blamed for blowing roof off building

VT WASHINGTON — The National Weather Service says it was a tornado that ripped the roof off a central Vermont apartment building.

Recent thunderstorms swept through the area, knocking over a metal barn and tearing the roof off the two-story apartment building in the village of Washington, about 15 miles southwest of Montpelier.

Trees were snapped and uprooted.

There were no reports of injuries.

The weather service says the tornado first caused damage west of Washington and then traveled for half a mile east-southeast through the village before dissipating. It says the degree of damage is consistent with rotating tornado winds ranging from 90 to 100 mph.

Several residents reported seeing a funnel cloud.

4 rescued after boat capsizes in Potomac

VA ALEXANDRIA — The U.S. Coast Guard and the D.C. fire department rescued three sailing students and their instructor after their boat capsized in the Potomac River.

The 17- to 19-foot-long sailboat capsized in the Alexandria area.

D.C. Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department spokesman Alan Etter says the boat capsized after the wind picked up.

The wind rose to 16 miles an hour at Reagan National Airport and suddenly became gusty, with one gust reported at 29 miles an hour.

The Coast Guard says all four were wearing life jackets and were uninjured.

Etter says the fireboat was nearby because it had been called out earlier when another boat capsized. That incident was apparently resolved safely.

Cell phone ban may follow trolley crash

MA BOSTON — The head of the Boston-area transit authority said he'll ban all train and bus operators from even carrying cell phones on board after a trolley driver told police he was texting his girlfriend before a collision recently.

About 50 people were hurt in the underground crash in downtown Boston, though none of the injuries was life-threatening.

The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority already bans operators from using cell phones and recently ran an internal ad campaign featuring a poster of an open cell phone that warned employees not to drive "under the influence."



Better than Play-Doh Victoria Wassell, of the MCC Pottery Club, shows Cailin Engstrom how to sculpt pottery at the 31st annual Festival of the Arts in Kingman, Ariz.



Cleared for takeoff Filly, a border collie, gets attention from her master, Bob Hood, maintenance supervisor at the Southwest Oregon Regional Airport, after scaring birds from the runway. Filly works at the North Bend, Ore., airport keeping the runway bird-free.



Cool dogs in shades Shinaku, Aksala and P.D. check out the scene on Stedman Street in Ketchikan, Alaska, from a window of the Bayside Hotel building. The dogs' owner, Steve Mata, has been equipping his dogs with sunglasses for several years, and they are the subject of much attention and many photos taken by cruise ship passengers and other visitors to the busy port town.



Crazy-leg racer

A participant in the Race for the Cure run and walk is seen in downtown Fort Worth, Texas.



Ballet's newest fans

Students at C.B. Jennings School in New London, Conn., watch as dancers with the Albano Ballet Company perform as part of an outreach program to bring the arts to students. Dancers performed a number of pieces from a Strauss waltz to Gershwin's "American in Paris" all with a narrative from company founder Joseph Albano explaining the origins of the various styles and some of the moves.



Look! It's a bird!

Marshall Iliff, Brian Sullivan, Tim Lenz, Chris Wood and Jessie Barry — Team Sapsucker of Cornell University's Lab

of Ornithology — point out birds as they compete to count more than 200 species during New Jersey Audubon's annual World Series of Birding in northern New Jersey.



Aye-aye, it's rare

A newborn aye-aye rests at the Denver Zoo. The aye-aye, a rare endangered primate found in Madagascar, was born at the zoo on April 18. It is only the second aye-aye to be born — and the first to be conceived — at a North American zoo.



A date with consequences

Tyler Frost and his prom date, Rebecca Smooty, are interviewed by several local media outlets prior to attending Findlay, Ohio, High School prom. Frost was suspended by his Christian school because he attended the other school's prom. Frost says he didn't think going to the dance was wrong, even though the Heritage Christian School forbids dancing, rock music and hand-holding.

City's homeless shelters charging workers rent

NY NEW YORK — Even the homeless can't escape the high price of a night in New York City.

City officials this month began charging rent to some families staying in homeless shelters.

The policy applies only to shelter residents who have income from jobs.

They could be expected to pay up to half their earnings.

Some shelter residents say the new rule will ruin their chances of saving enough money to get an apartment.

One single mother living in a Manhattan shelter told The New York Times she got a letter saying she had to give up \$336 of the \$800 she makes each month as a cashier.

Cemetery for Texas Aggies about to open

TX COLLEGE STATION, — The new Memorial Cemetery of College Station, set to open in a few weeks, has reserved a special section for Aggies and their supporters who want to be close — forever — to the sprawling campus and be with like-minded Aggies after they die.

"We're a weird lot, aren't we?" laughs Ross Albrecht, A&M class of 1984, urban landscape manager for the city and marketing supervisor for the cemetery. "There's a lot of school pride."

A few of the nation's universities — Notre Dame, Iowa State, the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and Virginia among them — have had school-affiliated cemeteries for nearly two centuries, but this one is believed to be unique in Texas.

Deputy shoots boy carrying toy handgun

CA PALMDALE — A boy playing cops and robbers with a toy handgun was shot and wounded by a Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy, officials say.

The boy was shot in Palmdale. Deputy Jeff Gordon said the boy was hospitalized in stable condition and is expected to survive.

His age and identity were not immediately released.

Gordon said deputies were responding to reports that someone was riding a bicycle and brandishing a handgun.

They spotted the rider and ordered him to drop the weapon but instead, Gordon said the boy pointed it at the deputies.

One deputy fired a shot and hit the boy in the upper body.

Police officers honor fallen colleagues

DC WASHINGTON — Law enforcement officers from the Washington region have participated in a memorial ride that also marks the beginning of National Police Week.

WTOP-FM reports that almost 2,000 people rode motorcycles from RFK Stadium to the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial in northwest D.C. to honor fallen police officers.

Officers from around the nation also participated in the ride.

Supporters say the week is important because it recognizes the sacrifices law enforcement officers make every day.

Study: Hybrid buses aren't saving money

HI HONOLULU — A new city study finds Honolulu's growing fleet of hybrid buses is not generating the cost savings promised.

The report recommends that the city stop buying hybrids and instead buy modern, clean-burning diesel buses.

The hybrid buses, first bought in 2004, were touted as cleaner, quieter and more fuel-efficient than conventional diesel buses.

But the benefits come at a premium.

Hybrid buses cost nearly \$1 million each, compared to about \$380,000 for a typical 40-foot diesel bus.

Famous lawyer takes on turnpike authority

MA BOSTON — A lawyer made famous by the book and movie "A Civil Action" has filed a class-action lawsuit claiming tolls collected on the Massachusetts Turnpike are an illegal tax.

Jan Schlichtmann's complaint filed in Middlesex Superior Court on behalf of three drivers who use the highway seeks a refund that could amount to \$300 million.

Schlichtmann told the Boston Herald tolls collected on the Pike are "an unconstitutional expropriation of money" because they are used to pay for other projects, including the \$15 billion Big Dig.

Man kills wife with chain saw in accident

MI OTSEGO — Michigan authorities say a man working in his yard accidentally killed his wife with a chain saw.

The Otsego couple were trying to cut a tree when the man hit his wife in the neck with the chain saw.

She died at the scene of the accident.

Sheriff's Deputy David Labonde lives nearby. He tells WOOD-TV he heard a cry for help and did what he could to help.

The sheriff's department is withholding the couple's names until other relatives are notified.

Diplomas to be awarded to Norfolk's 'Lost Class'

VA NORFOLK — Nearly 100 former public school students who did not get diplomas during the crossfire of Virginia's desegregation battle will receive honorary diplomas.

During Virginia's "Massive Resistance," nearly 10,000 white students were barred from their classes after six public schools closed in September 1958 rather than allow in black students.

While many returned to their classrooms in February 1959, hundreds never did and went on to military service or jobs.

Now in their 60s, the students will be honored at graduation ceremonies at the Chrysler Museum.

Stories and photos from wire services

Horoscope

The Capricorn moon guides our diligent efforts early in the day. Important parts of the plan are sorted out and key steps forward will be made. Then the lunar influence changes and the energy of Aquarius takes over with a few fresh ideas. Perhaps there is a technological component that will help you bring a project through the finish line.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (MAY 14). You desire to have a greater command over your environment and will be impressed at how quickly you rise in power. You define new rules this month and stick to them. Others respect your boundaries. A mentor teaches you to make more money in July. A heartfelt connection culminates in a wonderful August event. Cancer and Virgo adore you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). No one wants to hear complaining, least of all you. That's why you'll limit the time you spend with the chronically unhappy to somewhere around zero minutes. Take a walk in the sunshine instead.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Someone you love is on the move. Your relationship will thrive if you remain flexible. The bond you form with this person must be made out of elastic emotion, stretchy enough to reach the ends of the earth.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). If you have felt inadequate in the past, you may now realize that it was not your fault you didn't do better in a certain situation. You had no example to follow. Now you do, and you will be led to the possibilities of the world.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Frustration stems from expecting things to happen in a certain time frame that is clearly not the one the rest of the world abides by. The frustration will go away in the magical moment when you drop your expectation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have been needlessly fighting your way through a problem. This doesn't

have to be a struggle. Get out and take a walk to clear your head. Your fresh attitude will allow for a speedy resolution.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). While trying to make a difference in the world at large, don't overlook the small daily measures of goodness you might contribute. These add up and indeed may inspire a bigger change than would the grand effort of your imagining.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). This is not an auspicious time to lend anyone your personal property. If you feel inclined to share, give it away. If you want it back, don't let it go in the first place. Hold on to what's yours.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your relationships fall into a clear category. True love has a quality of acceptance and levity. If it's heavy, it's probably a codependent attraction. Avoid anyone who uses silent, negative tension to manipulate you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There is a friendly person around you who is slowly striving to move the direction to a new place. If you are receptive, you are headed for a closer friendship, a romance or business relationship with this person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Make plans to visit friends. This may require travel, and if so, it will all go smoothly and be well worth the cost. It is especially important to connect with a fire sign — that's Aries, Leo or Sagittarius.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Center yourself before you enter the social arena. You are vulnerable to being caught up in the moment by a theatrical personality. Stay grounded in what you want and don't make uncomfortable concessions for others.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're changing and so is the person you adore. Check in for another "get to know you" session. This is necessary even if — especially if — you've been together for decades.

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Difficulty: Hard

Fill in the boxes so that each row, column and 3-by-3 square includes the digits 1 through 9. For solution, tips and computer program, see www.sudoku.com

Yesterday's solution

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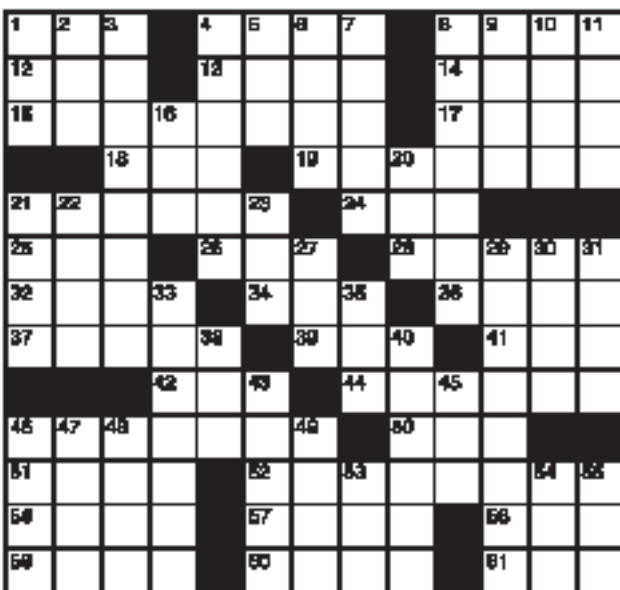
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Eugene Sheffer Crossword



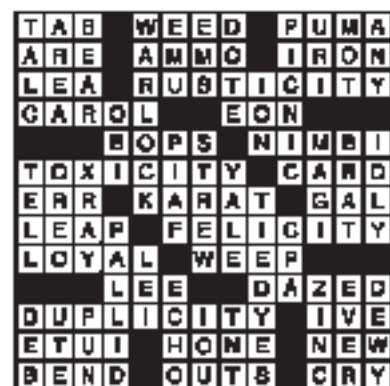
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- 18 Online address
- 19 Exhibition setting
- 21 Sweeney Todd, e.g.
- 24 Debar
- 25 With 21-Down, 'Arabian Nights' hero
- 26 Scoot
- 28 Rub the wrong way
- 32 Exclamation point
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- 37 Battle verbally
- 39 Afternoon affair
- 41 Fleur-de —
- 42 Succumb to gravity
- 44 Thing
- 46 Barton welder
- 50 Journal
- 51 Pinacle
- 52 Soothing
- 56 Fit of perverseness
- 57 Voice of Faye in 'Shrek'

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- 32 Gendarme
- 33 Bridge position
- 34 Fabrica inserts
- 35 Author Bluesy
- 36 Patch away
- 37 Burning
- 38 Alarm
- 39 Cohort of Whoo-pl and Sherri
- 40 Hawkeye's sitcom
- 41 Dermatology subject
- 42 Ottoman potentate
- 43 Hedgepodge
- 44 Hasty escape
- 45 Ultramodern
- 46 Tie up the phone

Answer to Previous Puzzle



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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF A COUPLE OF UNION PICKETERS LOOK ALIKE, YOU MIGHT SAY THEY BEAR A STRIKING RESEMBLANCE.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: T equals V

AFRTS Television Schedule

Updated sports listings are available on AFN's Web site at <http://myafn.dodmedia.osd.mil/>

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2009

	(AFN-ATLANTIC)	(AFN-FAMILY)	(AFN-MOVIE)	(AFN-NEWS)	(AFN-PACIFIC)	(PENTAGON)	(SPECTRUM)	(AFN-SPORTS)	(XTRA)
9:00	CSI: Miami "Going Under"	Backyardigans	Movie "Thicker Than Water" (2005, Drama) Melissa Gilbert, Lindsay Wagner.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	The View	Recon Revisited	Mad About You	NBA Basketball Teams to Be Announced.	(8:00) Sports
9:30		Miss Spiders		Hannity	Dr. Phil	State Dept Briefing	Living Single		
10:00	Oprah Winfrey	Peep-Big World				Fit For Duty	Guiding Light		
10:30		Curious George	(4:5) Movie "Les Misérables" (1998) Liam Neeson, Geoffrey Rush. Obsession pushes a policeman's pursuit of a former thief.	Anderson Cooper 360	Judge Alex	Recon	E! News		Sports
11:00	Dr. Phil	Miss Spiders			Everybody-Raymond	Fit For Duty	The Daily 10	NBA Basketball Teams to Be Announced.	
11:30		Backyardigans		Special Report With Bret Baier	Access Hollywood Judge Judy	Battleground	Star Trek "Where No Man Has Gone Before"		
12:00	CBS Evening News	Handy Manny				Around the Services			
12:30	ESPN	Dora the Explorer		Campbell Brown: No Bias, No Bull	The Young and the Restless	Briefing Encore	Reba		
13:00	Prime News Tonight	Blue's Clues	Movie "One Fine Day" (1996) Michelle Pfeiffer. Two overstressed single parents tiptoe around romance.	Your World With Neil Cavuto	General Hospital	Downrange	Girlfriends	Inside the NBA	Sports
13:30		Bear in House				AFN News Europe	Emeril Live		
14:00	NBC Nightly News	Sesame Street				Recon			
14:30	World News-Gibson					Fit For Duty	Landscape Smart	SportsCenter	
15:00	Sesame Street	Funniest Home Videos	(:05) Movie "While You Were Sleeping" (1995) Romance-Comedy Sandra Bullock, Bill Pullman.	The Rachel Maddow Show	Days of our Lives	Battleground	Color Splash		
15:30		Planet's Funniest Animals		Around the Services	Oprah Winfrey	The American Veteran	Ice Road Truckers "Man Down"	NBA Basketball Teams to Be Announced.	MTV Hits Playlist
16:00	The View	(3:50) Pokémon (40) Zatch Bell		Tavis Smiley		Recon Revisited			
16:30				Nightly Business Report	Wheel of Fortune	Around the Services	King of the Hill		X Play
17:00	Dr. Phil	The Fairly OddParents	At the Movies	Nightline	Jeopardy!	Downrange	That '70s Show		Futurama
17:30		Teenage Mutant Ninja	Ent. Studios	The O'Reilly Factor	World News-Gibson	Fi. Hood on Track	Daily Show-Jon Stewart		The Simpsons
18:00	Judge Alex	SpongeBob SquarePants	What It Takes		Around the Services	Today's Air Force	The Colbert Report	Baseball Tonight	Family Guy
18:30	Everybody-Raymond	Hannah Montana	Entertainment Tonight	Countdown With Keith Olbermann	Psych "An Evening With Mr. Yang"	Briefing Encore	American Idol Remaining finalists perform.	NFL Live	UFC Unleashed
19:00	Access Hollywood	Wizards of Waverly Place	Movie "Bigger Than the Sky" (2005) Marcus Thomas. A bad actor plays Cyrano de Bergerac in a play.	Today	Hell's Kitchen One chef burns Chef Ramsay's hand.	Fit For Duty	Dancing With the Stars	NBA Fastbreak	
19:30	Judge Judy	Kenan & Kel				Battleground		SportsCenter	The Block
20:00	The Young and the Restless	American Dreams "New Frontier"				Recon			Baldwin Hills
21:00	General Hospital	Everybody Hates Chris	Movie "White Chicks" (2004, Comedy) Shawn Wayans. Two male FBI agents pose as female socialites.	Today	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	Around the Services	Ugly Betty "Kissed Off"	NBA Basketball Teams to Be Announced.	Making the Band 4
21:30		The Cosby Show				Pacific Report			
22:00	Days of our Lives	Degrassi: TNG		America's Newsroom	Pacific Report	Briefing Encore	Seinfeld "The Slicer"		Best Damn Sports Show Period
22:30		Strange Days			The Tonight Show With Jay Leno	Week-Pentagon	Friends		
23:00	Oprah Winfrey	Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman "Bone of Contention"	(:04) Movie "Raising Arizona" (1987) Nicolas Cage.	Newsroom	Late Show-Letterman	Tour of Duty	Daily Show-Jon Stewart	Baseball Tonight	Attack of the Show!
23:30						Downrange	The Colbert Report		

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009

00:00	Wheel of Fortune	SpongeBob SquarePants	(11:04) Movie "Raising Arizona" (1987) Nicolas Cage.	MSNBC Live	Late Show-Letterman	EXchange on Air	Late Night With Jimmy Fallon	SportsCenter	X Play
00:30	Jeopardy!	Hannah Montana			The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson	Fit For Duty			Futurama
1:00	Headline News	Wizards of Waverly Place	(12:52) Movie "Small Soldiers" (1998, Action) Kirsten Dunst, Gregory Smith. Toys turn lethal. Live action/animations.	Happening Now	Judge Judy	Today's Air Force	Any Day Now "That's Our Son, Bobby"	SportsCenter	The Simpsons
1:30	ATS/AFN Report	Kenan & Kel			CSI: Miami A celebrity's murder reveals a counterfeiting ring.	Around the Services	Ghost Whisperer "Della's First Ghost"	MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at New York Mets. From Citi Field in Flushing, N.Y. (Subject to Blackout) (Live)	Family Guy
2:00	Psych "An Evening With Mr. Yang"	American Dreams "New Frontier"		Newsroom	Downrange	Recon			UFC Unleashed
2:30				MSNBC Live	This Week in the Pentagon	The Grill Sergeants	Psych "Spelling Bee"		The Block
3:00	Hell's Kitchen One chef burns Chef Ramsay's hand.	Everybody Hates Chris	(2:56) Movie "Bigger Than the Sky" (2005) Marcus Thomas, Amy Smart. A bad actor plays Cyrano de Bergerac in a play.		Oprah Winfrey	State Dept Briefing	Death of the Spellmaster.		Baldwin Hills
3:30		The Cosby Show			Dr. Phil	Battleground	Seinfeld "The Slicer"		Making the Band 4
4:00	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Young Man With a Horn"	Degrassi: Next Generation		Studio B With Shepard Smith		Around the Services	Friends		
4:30		Strange Days-Blake Holsey		The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer	Final Score	All Hands TV	Kiana's Flex Appeal	NFL Live	Best Damn Sports Show Period
5:00	Headline News	Teletubbies	(4:56) Movie "White Chicks" (2004) Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans. Two male FBI agents pose as female socialites.	Glenn Beck	Headline News	FNG Useful benefits.	Denise Austin's Getting Fit	Jim Rome Is Burning	Attack of the Show!
5:30	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno	Barney & Friends			Good Morning America	Downrange	Essence of Emeril	Around the Horn	
6:00		Sesame Street				Around the Services	Down Home With the Neelys	Pardon the Interruption	
6:30	Late Show With David Letterman	Bear in the Big Blue House	At the Movies	Around the Services	Good Morning America	Battleground	FitTV's Housecalls	SportsCenter	MTV Hits Playlist
7:00						This Week in the Pentagon			
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8:30	Judge Judy	Super Why!	Entertainment Tonight	CBS Evening News		Recon	Mad About You		
9:00	CSI: Miami A celebrity's murder reveals a counterfeiting ring.	The Wonder Pets!	Movie "Coal Miner's Daughter" (1980, Biography) Sissy Spacek. Loretta Lynn rises from rural poverty to music stardom.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	The View	State Dept Briefing	Living Single		
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11:00	Dr. Phil	Little Einsteins	(:15) Movie "About a Boy" (2002) Hugh Grant, Toni Collette. A lonely boy finds a friend in a carefree bachelor.		Everybody Loves Raymond	Fit For Duty	The Daily 10		
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13:30		Bear in the Big Blue House				AFN Europe Report	Emeril Live	SportsCenter	Sports
14:00	NBC Nightly News	Sesame Street				Balad and Beyond			
14:30	World News-Gibson					Fit For Duty	Design on a Dime	SportsCenter	
15:00	Sesame Street	Funniest Home Videos	(:05) Movie "Stand and Deliver" (1988, Drama) Edward James Olmos, Lou Diamond Phillips, Rosanna DeSoto.	The Rachel Maddow Show	Days of our Lives	Battleground	Decorating Cents		
15:30		Planet's Funniest Animals		Around the Services	Oprah Winfrey	The Grill Sergeants	Ice Road Truckers "A Truckers Farewell"	NBA Basketball Teams to Be Announced.	MTV Hits Playlist
16:00	The View	(3:50) Pokémon (40) Zatch Bell		Tavis Smiley		Recon			
16:30				Nightly Business Report	Wheel of Fortune	Around the Services	King of the Hill		X Play
17:00	Dr. Phil	(:05) The Fairly OddParents	Inside the Actors Studio	Nightline	Jeopardy!	Downrange	That '70s Show		Futurama
17:30		Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles	Actor Mike Myers.	The O'Reilly Factor	World News-Gibson	This Week in the Pentagon	Daily Show-Jon Stewart		The Simpsons
18:00	Judge Alex	SpongeBob SquarePants	What It Takes		Around the Services	The American Veteran	The Colbert Report	Baseball Tonight	Family Guy
18:30	Everybody Loves Raymond	Hannah Montana	Entertainment Tonight	Countdown With Keith Olbermann	King of the Hill	Briefing Encore	American Idol Contestant faces elimination.	NFL Live	The Hills
19:00	Access Hollywood	Just Jordan	Movie "Wild Hogs" (2007, Comedy) Tim Allen, John Travolta, Martin Lawrence. Four friends take a motorcycle road trip.	Today	(:25) The Simpsons	Fit For Duty	America's Next Top Model "Take Me to the Jungle"	NBA Fastbreak	Life of Ryan
19:30	Judge Judy	The Naked Brothers Band			Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "Nickless Family"	Battleground		SportsCenter	The Real World
20:00	The Young and the Restless	Made "Girly Girl to Motocross" Motocross rider.				Recon Revisited			
20:30						Around the Services	Burn Notice "Lesser Evil"	NBA Basketball Teams to Be Announced.	Real World -- Road Rules Challenge
21:00	General Hospital	Everybody Hates Chris	(6:55) Movie "Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason" (2004, Romance-Comedy) Renée Zellweger, Hugh Grant, Colin Firth.	Today	House Cuddy gives some of her responsibilities to Cameron.	Pacific Report			
21:30		The Cosby Show		America's Newsroom		Briefing Encore	Seinfeld "The Betrayal"		Best Damn Sports Show Period
22:00	Days of our Lives	Degrassi: Next Generation			The Tonight Show With Jay Leno	Recon	Friends		
22:30		Strange Days-Blake Holsey		Newsroom		Army Newswatch	Daily Show-Jon Stewart		Attack of the Show!
23:00	Oprah Winfrey	Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman "The Permanence of Change"	Movie "Austin Powers in Goldmember" (2002) Mike Myers.		Late Show-Letterman	Downrange	The Colbert Report	Baseball Tonight	
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<p>Yokota, Japan - Cockatiel & Small Bird Accessories Bird Cage Wood Tabletop Playpen Heater Bonanza Bird Food Airline Approved Bird Carrier (12" W x 17" L x 8" H; weighs 3 lbs. Approved by U.S. airlines, this carrier slide easily under airplane seats for a comfortable, affordable way for small to medium parrots to travel in the airline cabin. Asking \$60 Please email jamerica2002@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Fellowes Paper Shredder, Stand Fan, and Hoover Vac16" stand fan 3-speed oscillates \$10; Upright vacuum with attachments nice condition \$20; paper shredder works well \$10. Please call 6143584904 or email garyschwamm@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Martha Stewart 12X12 Fabric Storage Boxes these are great for organizing all your scrapbooking items, art-crafts, toys, etc. I had all my scrapbooking 12X12 paper w/ matching stickers/ribbons, etc inside each one. With the window in front to label, I was able to stay organized. These were really hard to get at the BX, so when my husband was in the states, & w/ the help of my mom going to different stores, they were able to find some. I have 9 of these several solid natural brown colors w/ several solid light blue colors. Paid \$20-\$25 each, asking \$8.00 each, firm. I also have a few bags of scrapbooking items that I put together-if you've been to England, Ballerina, New packs of pastel cardstocks, Travel items, Scrapbooks that light up, etc. Please call Angela 916-473-4488</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Madden 09' Purchased brand new, and honestly played it about 5 times. Not one of my favorites. I am willing to trade! Asking \$30 Please call 2108814389</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Adorable 11 year old female mix of Husky & Schnauzer, 30 lbs. Silver hair, spayed, good with kids & dogs, healthy. Needs to find a loving home ASAP. USSKITTYTALK-YOKOSUKA@GMAIL.COM</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Selling Saltwater Aquarium Set up 50 Gallon glass tank with over flow already drilled. Protein skimmer, return pump, water heater-32w X 4 light set up Also with the fish tank I have 2 Damsels 1 Snowflake eel 1 Picasso Trigger and 2 Clownfish Everything you need to set up a saltwater tank. It's set up right now if you want to see it. Asking \$350 Please email skittiezasteme@yahoo.com</p>	<p>House for rent in WA. Close to Ft Lewis, McChord AFB, and Madigan Army Medical Center. In the desirable Sunrise neighborhood of Puyallup, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath with view of Mt Rainier. \$1350 a month. If interested send email to dockeryc@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Black leather ballet shoes. New never been wear. Girls Size 2 asking \$10 Call 614-358-4889.</p>
<p>Yokota, Japan - Complete Toddler Bedroom Set Excellent condition. Under 1 year old Set includes: Solid wood toddler bed with mattress, bed rails, bottom and top sheet, and matching blanket and pillow case. Solid wood toy box with matching design and lift top lid (pinch free construction). Matching bookshelf and area rug Solid wood toy box with matching design and lift top lid (pinch free construction). We would love to take this with us back to the States, but we just can't fit it. A value of over \$300 asking only \$150. Please call 090-8478-1050 or email japanmissions@gmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Fujitsu Refrigerator/ Freezer Full Size 'Simple Style' Refrigerator/Freezer Excellent condition, less than 1 year old. No scratches or dents. Separate freezer/ refrigeration compartments. Plenty of internal racks, shelves, vegetable bins, egg holders, door shelves, and ice trays. Temperature control settings. Light on. Bought new for \$240 asking only \$125 Please call 090-8478-1050 or email japanmissions@gmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Range/Convection/ Microwave Oven National Range/Convection Microwave Oven Excellent condition Less than 1 year old. Fully functional microwave, convection oven, and range Bake and oven cook like normal in Japan - fresh chocolate chip cookies! Interior dimensions can fit two full-size 9" x 13" pans. Come with pans, bake rack, and original manual. Bought new for \$150 asking only \$50 Please call Woody 090-8478-1050 or email japanmissions@gmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Pioneer House speakers for sale. Asking \$90.00 OBO for both speakers please contact me at T_bone281@me.com or at 090-1395-4410</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - 2 FREE Female Cats Shy-Ann and Natalia are sisters. They are 6 years young and have been micro-chipped, front de-clawed, and spayed (\$600+). They are indoor cats and have not been allowed to go outside. They are very clean and loving. They have been a part of our family since they were 6 weeks old. They have done well with our children. If you are interested, please call for more details. They are available immediately and will go to the base shelter by May 6th if no home is found. They are current on all shots and have records at the base vet clinic. Food bowls, litter box, and 2 kennels are included. They must go together! Please call 713-490-3033 or email gmmmv@aol.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Canon camera 4 Sale Digital Camera Power Shot SD1000: Slim, stylish 7.1 Megapixel Digital ELPH with 3x Optical Zoom lens CHC modern minimalism in the ELPH's classic Box & Circle design in two color variations to suit your personal style DIGIC III Image Processor with improved Face Detection Technology and Red-eye Correction for sharper images and improved functionality Vivid, high resolution 2.5 inch Pure Color LCD with scratch resistant anti reflection coating for easy on camera viewing ISO 1600 and High ISO Auto to reduce image blur and expand low light shooting capability Five movie modes including 30 fps VGA, Time Lapse and Fast Frame Rate Print/Share Button for easy direct printing and downloading, plus ID Photo Print and Movie Print with select Asking 4150 OBO Please call 1-214-261-6424 or email sbriggs1985@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Ping Clone Golf clubs Right Handed set, regular steel shaft. 3-PW over size good start set. Set is in good conditions. Asking \$60 call Eduardo at 210-881-4403</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Brand New Kawasaki Angle Grinder 4 1/2 -11000 RPM -5.3 amps -2 position reversible side handle -spindle lock for quick and easy wheel change -sliding switch- for extended run applications -3 year warranty asking \$40 Jason home 713-490-0578 cell 080-3251-9808 or email jasonstacieleal@hotmail.com</p>
<p>Yokota, Japan - End table and coffee table Black with gold trim. Very nice but I am getting new furniture and PCS'ing. Asking \$30 each OBO Please call 720-257-6857 or email sunflowers1648@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Washing Machine + Overhead Rack Sanyo 4.2kg Washing Machine + Overhead Rack Used but in good condition. Standard Japanese Sanyo. Some slight scratches and minor dents on outside but works like a champ. New hoses. Overhead rack has two storage racks and one clothes line hanging bar. Rack can adjust width to accommodate different size machines or laundry space. The rack itself cost \$40 and the washing machine was \$120. Asking only \$40 for the entire set Please call 090-8478-1050 or email japanmissions@gmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Organizer (rolling, roll-rolling) bag I have a Red/Black Rolling Duffel bag that my husband bought at Big 5 sporting goods for \$40. only asking \$6.50 have a clear/sheer blue 3 drawer rolling organizer. This fit perfectly in master bathroom, next to toilet, to hold toilet paper, hand towels, etc. You can also use for organizing toys/crafts, ETC. \$6.50 (I also have a matching little organizer-great for hair accessories/small toys/crafts-\$2.50) Cream color 1-drawer on wheels organizer-fit perfect in upstairs bathroom-u can purchase more at Calinz, Jusco, yayful, Honda, Crafts/toilet paper/toys/etc. \$4.00 Eddie Bauer Drop Bottom Rolling Duffel bag w/ 2separate areas-it's like having 2 suitcases W/ lots of storage in one, \$40. Please call Angela 916-473-4488</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Guitar AMP - Fender Power Chorus x212 combo I am selling my chorus amp. A Fender Power Chorus x212 combo guitar amp & foot switch. This thing can get VERY loud, sounds beautiful, and is in absolutely wonderful shape. Almost perfect except for a few surface scratches on the back (from being moved around). You would be lucky to find this for less than \$300 used, especially in Japan... but I am asking only \$200. For \$250 I will also throw in a black Epiphone SG (with soft case) that is in great condition as well (it just has some band stickers on it). I am living in Fussa, but will ship this to you in Japan via COD (you pay for shipping upon arrival) or to the US w/ USPS and to APO w/ MPS. This is a great amp I just can't take it with me. Contact me ASAP. Please call Tony 080-5409-7204</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Female Cat Female calico short hair cat. 2 years old. Spayed, front-declaw, micro chipped, shots up to date, indoors only. She is happy to pet to herself, but will enjoy curling up with you on the couch or in bed. Gets along with other animals. Okay with children, but preferably older children. We have a 1 year old who adores her, but we aren't around much to give her all the attention she needs. We are also PCS'ing soon and are facing difficulties with the travel arrangements. Litter box, food dishes, bed, and food included. Please call 090-6477-0979 or email aussiedollphn@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Panasonic DMC-FZ50 10.1MP Digital Camera with 12x Comes with camera bag two batteries and charger 1 SD card 1g and cleaning kit for tech details click on the link below: Asking \$500 o b o Please email gnerasianx@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Taylor Made r7 CGB Max 10.5 Stiff Shaft (45g) Used gently for about 1/3 of a season. Haven't been able to play golf because of schedule, so have to sell. Originally bought for \$499 and that's not even including shipping (still have the receipt). Driver has interchangeable weight system for fade or draw bias. Shaft is super light (45g) for those explosive distance comes with head cover, and weight set. 10.5 degree stiff shaft selling for \$240 or best offer Please call Miggy! 080-5501-6602</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Jon & Kate Plus Eight DVD - Seasons 1, 2, unlike new Jon & Kate plus Eight Seasons 1 & 2, and Season 3 DVD packages. These cost about \$25 each new. Get it here for half-price! Asking \$25 Please call 813-200-9377 or email juddebean@gmail.com</p>
<p>Yokota, Japan - Oriental bar take a look! Oriental bar from the Asian bazaar Paid 1300 has a spinning glass holder and a removable wine rack! Asking \$800 Please email tkvan6@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Washing Machine + Overhead Rack Sanyo 4.2kg Washing Machine + Overhead Rack Used but in good condition. Standard Japanese Sanyo. Some slight scratches and minor dents on outside but works like a champ. New hoses. Overhead rack has two storage racks and one clothes line hanging bar. Rack can adjust width to accommodate different size machines or laundry space. The rack itself cost \$40 and the washing machine was \$120. Asking only \$40 for the entire set Please call 090-8478-1050 or email japanmissions@gmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - 60 GB PS3 backward compatible with 11 games plus WH 60 Gig Backward compatible PS3 with 2 controllers and games in the pictures. Plus rock band with guitar, drums, and microphone! Asking \$60 Please call 614-358-4809 or email tkvan6@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Fence North Housing Fence for small yard. Perfect for keeping pets in the yard, 3 yrs old, Good Shape, 10' X 24'. It is the exact length for North Housing. We paid \$1,000. Would need you to pull and transport. Asking \$400 Please call 214-261-6361 or email mnealey@armed-svc.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - FREE! adult male cat comes with automatic litter box and feeder. Declawed and fixed. Only serious responses please email Katie Viklund s n u g l e b u n n y -2700@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Zama - B+W 72mm Slim Circular Polarizer filter. Excellent A+++ condition, only taken out for about 2 dozen test photos. Includes special filter cap and case. Asking price is \$75. Contact me at mahimah5_0@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Young Boys tapster shoes in its lineup of quality tap shoes size 2 1/2 W Just like new condition Paid \$26 +S&H Asking for \$15 Call 614-358-4889</p>	<p>Yokota, Japan - Bloch pink leather ballet shoes. Girls split sole, leather with canvas instep ballet slipper. Elastics are sewed on to X shape. I have 3w and 3 1/2 w but it's really small, so kid's 13-1 1/2 new never been wear will fit good Paid @23.50 + S&H for each asking \$15 for each Call 614-358-4889.</p>
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SCOREBOARD

Sports on AFN

Thursday
AFN-Sports, 2 a.m.—MLB: Atlanta at N.Y. Mets.
AFN-Xtra, 8 a.m.—NHL playoffs: Eastern Conference semifinals, Game 7, Pittsburgh at Washington.
AFN-Sports, 10 a.m.—NBA playoffs: Western Conference semifinals, Game 5, Dallas at Denver.
AFN-Xtra, 11 a.m.—MLB: Kansas City at Oakland.
AFN-Sports, 4 p.m.—NBA playoffs: Western Conference semifinal, Game 5, Dallas at Denver (dld).
Friday
AFN-Sports, 2 a.m.—MLB: L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia.
AFN-Sports, 8 a.m.—NBA playoffs: Eastern Conference semifinals, Game 6, Boston at Orlando.
AFN-Xtra, 8 a.m.—NHL playoffs: Eastern Conference semifinals, Game 7, Carolina at Boston, if necessary; or MLB: St. Louis at Pittsburgh.
AFN-Sports, 10:30 a.m.—NBA playoffs: Western Conference semifinals, Game 6, L.A. Lakers at Houston.
AFN-Xtra, 10:30 a.m.—NHL playoffs: Western Conference semifinals, Game 7, Anaheim at Detroit, if necessary (joined in progress); or MLB: N.Y. Mets at San Francisco.
AFN-Sports, 4 p.m.—NBA playoffs: Eastern Conference semifinals, Game 6, Boston at Orlando (dld).
AFN-Sports, 9 p.m.—NBA playoffs: Western Conference semifinals, Game 6, L.A. Lakers at Houston (dld).
All times are Japan and Korea Standard; (dld) indicates delayed broadcast. All listings are subject to change. Visit www.myafn.net for more information.

College lacrosse

NCAA Men's Division I Championship
First Round
Saturday, May 9
Johns Hopkins 12, Brown 11, OT
North Carolina 15, UMB 13
Cornell 11, Hofstra 8
Duke 14, Navy 5
Sunday, May 10
Maryland 7, Notre Dame 3
Virginia 18, Villanova 6
Princeton 10, Massachusetts 7
Syracuse 11, Siena 4
Quarterfinals
Saturday, May 16
At Hempstead, N.Y.
Cornell (11-3) vs. Princeton (13-2)
Maryland (10-6) vs. Syracuse (13-2)
Sunday, May 17
At Annapolis, Md.
Virginia (14-2) vs. Johns Hopkins (10-4)
North Carolina (12-5) vs. Duke (14-3)
At Gillette Stadium Foxborough, Mass.
Semifinals
Saturday, May 23
Virginia-Johns Hopkins winner vs. Cornell-Princeton winner
Maryland-Syracuse winner vs. North Carolina-Duke winner
Championship
Monday, May 25
Semifinal winners

Boxing

Fight schedule
May 15
At Harrah's Marina Hotel Casino, Atlantic City, N.J., Kevin Johnson, Atlanta, vs. Monte Barrett, Queens, N.Y., 10, heavyweights.
May 16
At Rome, Giacobbe Fragomeni, Italy, vs. Krzysztof Wlodarczyk, Poland, 12, Fragomeni's WBC cruiserweight title.
At Planet Hollywood, Las Vegas, Ron Johnson, Las Vegas, vs. John Johnson, Memphis, 12, for the vacant WBF light heavyweight title.
At Oracle Arena, Oakland, Calif., Andre Ward, Oakland, Calif., vs. Edison Miranda, Colombia, 12, for Ward's NABO-NABF super middleweight titles.
May 22
At Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla., Richard Gutierrez, Miami, vs. Antwone Smith, Miami, 10, welterweights.
May 23
At Monterrey, Mexico, Toshiaki Nishioaka, Japan, vs. Johnny Gonzalez, Mexico, 12, for Nishioaka's WBC junior featherweight title; Rafael Marquez, Mexico, vs. Jose Mendoza, Colombia, 10, featherweights.
At Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, Jorge Linares, Japan, vs. Josafat Perez, Mexico, 12, for Linares' WBA junior lightweight title; Jose Guadalupe Martinez, Mexico, vs. Oscar Saturnino, Mexico, 12, from Martinez's Mexican light flyweight title; Flomeno Jaramillo, Mexico, vs. Victor Terrazas, Mexico, 12, for the interim Mexican super bantamweight title.
May 26
At Shanghai, Daisuko Naito, Japan, vs. Xiong Zhao Zhong, China, 12, for Naito's WBC flyweight title.
At TBA, Thailand, Denkaoson Kaowichit, Thailand, vs. Hiroyuki Hisatsaka, Japan, 12, for Kaowichit's WBA flyweight title.

College baseball

Baseball America Top 25
DURHAM, N.C. — The top 25 teams in the Baseball America poll with records through May 10 and previous ranking (voting by the staff of Baseball America):

Record	Pvs
1. UC Irvine	37-11 1
2. Louisiana State	38-13 3
3. Arizona State	38-11 5
4. Rice	33-13 2
5. Cal State Fullerton	36-13 6
6. Texas	36-12 8
7. Georgia Tech	33-12 9
8. North Carolina	36-14 16
9. Mississippi	37-15 7
10. Virginia	37-10 13
11. Kansas State	38-13 10
12. Alabama	35-15 21
13. Florida	35-17 11
14. Texas Christian	31-14 15
15. Oklahoma	37-16 18
16. Texas A&M	33-18 14
17. Florida State	36-14 16
18. Cal Poly	33-15 12
19. Clemson	34-17 20
20. East Carolina	37-15 24
21. Minnesota	33-14 NR
22. Elon	36-14 NR
23. Louisville	36-14 NR
24. Miami	32-18 NR
25. Missouri	30-23 NR

Collegiate Baseball poll
TUCSON, Ariz. — The Collegiate Baseball poll with records through May 10, points and previous ranking. Voting is done by coaches, sports writers and sports information directors:

Record	Pts	Pvs
1. U.C. Irvine	37-11 492 1	
2. Louisiana St.	38-14 485 3	
3. Arizona St.	38-11 483 4	
4. North Carolina	38-13 482 2	
5. Cal. St. Fullerton	36-13 480 5	
6. Texas	36-12-1 477 8	
7. Florida St.	36-14 475 6	
8. Georgia Tech.	33-12-1 474 10	
9. Rice	33-13 472 7	
10. Alabama	35-15 469 23	
11. Florida	35-17 467 9	
12. Virginia	37-10-1 466 11	
13. Mississippi	37-15 463 12	
14. Missouri	30-23 459 -	
15. Georgia	34-17 457 14	
16. Arkansas	31-17 453 13	
17. Clemson	34-17 450 19	
18. Kansas St.	38-13-1 448 17	
19. Texas A&M	33-18 447 15	
20. Oklahoma	37-16 446 21	
21. Miami, Fla.	32-18 444 20	
22. Cal Poly	33-15 441 16	
23. Texas Christian	31-14 440 22	
24. Minnesota	33-14 438 -	
25. Texas St.	37-12 436 -	
26. Indiana St.	33-14 433 -	
27. South Florida	31-19 431 28	
28. Louisville	36-14 430 -	
29. George Mason	38-9 429 29	
30. East Carolina	37-15 427 30	

Monday's scores
SOUTHWEST
TCU 5, Dallas Baptist 3
FAR WEST
New Mexico 11, St. Mary's, Calif. 7

Golf

LPGA money leaders
Through May 11

Trn	Money
1. Cristie Kerr	\$ 771,624
2. Lorena Ochoa	7 \$670,146
3. Ji Yai Shin	7 \$493,394
4. Angela Stanford	6 \$432,834
5. Yani Tseng	8 \$388,946
6. In-Kyung Kim	7 \$359,705
7. Karrie Webb	6 \$359,018
8. Suzann Pettersen	8 \$344,071
9. Brittany Lincicome	6 \$315,432
10. Lindsey Wright	7 \$315,259
11. Song-Hee Kim	7 \$306,052
12. Na Yeon Choi	8 \$292,283
13. Pat Hurst	7 \$267,509
14. Katherine Hull	7 \$267,313
15. Kristy McPherson	8 \$264,871
16. Paula Creamer	6 \$262,557
17. Angela Park	6 \$236,350
18. Brittany Lang	8 \$215,028
19. Hee Young Park	7 \$196,062
20. Wendy Ward	6 \$195,877

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Deals

Monday's transactions
BASEBALL
American League
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Purchased the contract of LHP Jimmy Gobble from Charlotte (IL). Optioned RHP Jose Contreras to Charlotte.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with RHP Blaine Neal on a minor league contract and assigned him to Columbus (IL).
National League
HOUSTON ASTROS—Optioned C J.R. Towles to Round Rock (PCL).
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Recalled OF Drew Macias from Portland (PCL). Optioned LHP Arturo Lopez to Portland.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Announced executive vice president of basketball operations Chris Mullin's contract won't be renewed. Named Larry Riley general manager.
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Announced interim coach Tony Dileo withdrew his name from consideration as coach for the 2009-10 season and will return to his previous position as senior vice president and assistant general manager.
TORONTO RAPTORS—Signed coach Jay Triano to a three-year contract.
WOMEN'S National Basketball Association
MINNESOTA LYNX—Signed F Kamesha Hairston and C Aisha Mohammed.
WASHINGTON MYSTICS—Released G Coco Miller.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CHICAGO BEARS—Agreed to terms with TE Michael Gaines on a one-year contract.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed WR Terrence Nunn.
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Signed OL Michael Brown, OL Shawn Flanagan, DT Earl Heyman and WR Matthew Simon.
GYMNASTICS
USA GYMNASTICS—Named Samantha Kilgore manager of media relations.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NHL—Fined Carolina F Scott Walker \$2,500 for throwing a punch that knocked Boston D Aaron Ward to the ice during a May 10 game at Boston.
BUFFALO SABRES—Signed D Tyler Myers to a three-year contract.
COLORADO AVALANCHE—Signed D Cameron Gaunce and G Trevor Cann.
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Promoted Rich Tocchet from interim coach to head coach and signed him to a multiyear contract.

OLYMPICS
ENGLAND—Named Tom Maher women's basketball coach.
TENNIS
INTERNATIONAL TENNIS FEDERATION—Suspended Richard Gasquet until his hearing for testing positive for cocaine at the Sony Ericsson Open.
COLLEGE
DELAWARE—Named Bernard Muir director of athletics and recreation services.
FLORIDA—Announced the resignation of women's golf coach Jill Briles-Hinton.
JAMES MADISON—Named Rachel Chupein women's assistant soccer coach.
LYON—Announced the resignation of athletic director and baseball coach Kirk Kelley, to become baseball coach at Oklahoma Wesleyan. Named Kevin Jenkins interim athletic director and Tony Roepcke baseball coach.
MINNESOTA STATE-MANKATO—Named Eric Meams women's ice hockey coach.
MISSISSIPPI STATE—Announced junior men's basketball C Jarvis Varnado withdrew his name for the NBA draft.
PHILADELPHIA—Announced the resignation of baseball coach Mark Heimeman.
TEXAS—Announced F-C Alexis Wangmene was granted a medical hardship waiver from the Big 12 Conference for the 2008-09 season and will be a redshirt sophomore for the 2009-10 season.
VIRGINIA—Named Mike Curtis strength and conditioning coach for the men's basketball program.
VIRGINIA TECH—Announced sophomore men's basketball G Hank Thorns will transfer.

Pro soccer

MLS
Eastern Conference

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
D.C.	3	1	5	14	15
Toronto FC	3	2	4	13	13
Chicago	2	0	6	12	14
Kansas City	3	4	2	11	12
New England	2	2	3	9	12
New York	2	5	2	8	11
Columbus	1	2	5	8	14

Western Conference

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Chivas USA	7	1	1	22	12
Seattle	4	2	2	14	11
Colorado	3	2	2	11	10
Houston	3	2	2	11	7
Real Salt Lake	3	4	1	10	14
Los Angeles	1	1	6	9	10
San Jose	1	5	2	5	16
FC Dallas	1	6	1	4	15

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.
Wednesday's games
Kansas City 1, D.C. United 1, tie
Real Salt Lake 2, Los Angeles 2, tie
Friday's game
New York 4, San Jose 1
Saturday's games
Columbus 3, Kansas City 2
D.C. United 3, Toronto FC 3, tie
Chicago 1, New England 1, tie
Houston 1, FC Dallas 0
Chivas USA 1, Real Salt Lake 0
Sunday's game
Seattle 1, Los Angeles 1, tie
Saturday, May 16
Chicago at Toronto FC
Colorado at New England
Houston at New York
Seattle FC at Seattle FC
Kansas City at Real Salt Lake
D.C. United at Chivas USA
Sunday, May 17
Columbus at Los Angeles

WPS

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	3	1	2	11	6
Boston	3	1	2	10	8
Chicago	2	1	2	8	6
FC Gold Pride	2	3	1	7	7
Sky Blue FC	1	2	2	5	3
Saint Louis	1	2	2	5	4
Washington	1	2	2	5	12

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.
Saturday's game
Saint Louis 1, FC Gold Pride 0
Sunday's games
Los Angeles 0, Boston 0, tie
Sky Blue FC 2, Chicago 0
Friday, May 15
Sky Blue FC at Los Angeles
Saturday, May 16
FC Gold Pride at Chicago
Sunday, May 17
Washington at Boston

AP spotlight

May 13
1891 — Isaac Murphy wins his second straight Kentucky Derby aboard Kingman. In the stretch, Kingman comes from last in the four-horse field to beat Balgonwin by one-half length.
1952 — In an Appalachian League game, Ron Necciai of the Bristol Twins strikes out 27 batters while pitching a 7-0 no-hitter against the Welch Miners.
1958 — Stan Musial gets his 3,000th hit with a pinch-double off Chicago's Moe Drabowsky at Wrigley Field. The Cardinals win 5-3.
1976 — The New York Nets overcome a 22-point third-quarter deficit to beat the Denver Nuggets 112-106 and win the ABA championship in six games.
1995 — Team New Zealand's Black Magic 1 completes a 5-0 sweep in the America's Cup, beating Dennis Conner's borrowed Young America by 1 minute, 50 seconds.
2002 — Carolina's 8-2 victory over Montreal ties the mark for the most goals the Canadiens have allowed in the Stanley Cup playoffs. Chicago beat the Canadiens 8-7 in Game 5 of the 1973 finals.
2005 — Tiger Woods misses the cut in the Byron Nelson Championship to end his record of 142 consecutive cuts made over the last seven years on the PGA Tour. Needing a par on the 18th hole at Cottonwood Valley, Woods misses a 15-foot putt. He taps in for a bogey and a 2-over 72, leaving him at 1 over for the tournament.

Tennis

Madrid Open
Tuesday
At Recinto Ferial Casa de Campo Madrid
Purse: Men, \$5.1 million (WT1000); Women, \$4.5 million (Premier)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Singles
Men
First Round
Marin Cilic (13), Croatia, def. Marcel Granollers, Spain, 6-2, 6-7 (4), 6-1.
Nicola Pietrangeli, Italy, def. Eduardo Schwank, Argentina, 7-5, 6-4.
Fabio Fognini, Italy, def. Paul-Henri Mathieu, France, 6-7 (5), 6-4, 3-0, retired.
Tomas Berdych, Czech Republic, def. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, 6-0, 7-6 (5).
Jeremy Chardy, France, def. Jose Acasuso, Argentina, 6-3, 6-2.
Nikolay Davydenko (10), Russia, def. Viktor Troicki, Serbia, 6-2, 6-2.
Jurgen Melzer, Austria, def. Albert Montanes, Spain, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.
Second Round
Tommy Robredo (16), Spain, def. Mardy Fish, United States, 3-6, 7-6 (5), 6-2.
Fernando Verdasco (7), Spain, def. Juan Carlos Ferrero, Spain, 6-3, 6-2.
Women
Second Round
Agnes Szavay, Hungary, def. Aravane Rezaï, France, 7-5, 6-2.
Francesca Schiavone, Italy, def. Petra Kvitová, Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-2.
Caroline Wozniacki (9), Denmark, def. Varvara Lepchenko, United States, 6-3, 6-1.
Vera Dushevina, Russia, def. Robert Vinci, Italy, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.
Monday
Men
First Round
Mardy Fish, United States, def. Janko Tipsarevic, Serbia, 7-6 (3), 6-4.
Florent Serra, France, def. Rainer Schüttler, Germany, 6-2, 6-4.
Oscar Hernandez, Spain, def. Martin Vassallo Arguello, Argentina, 6-3, 6-3.
David Ferrer (12), Spain, def. Guillermo Canas, Argentina, 6-2, 6-2.
Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia, def. Teimuraz Gabashvili, Russia, 6-3, 6-2.
Robin Soderling, Sweden, def. Ivan Navarro, Spain, 6-4, 6-2.
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (9), France, def. Marat Safin, Russia, 6-4, 7-5.
Simone Bolelli, Italy, def. Juan Ignacio Chela, Argentina, 7-5, 7-6 (3).
Tommy Haas, Germany, def. Ernests Gulbis, Latvia, 6-2, 5-7, 7-5.
Stanislav Wawrinka (11), Switzerland, def. Marco Krugnovla, Italy, 6-2, 6-0.
Philipp Kohlschreiber, Germany, def. Nicolas Almagro, Spain, 6-3, 6-4.
Juan Monaco, Argentina, def. Feliciano Lopez, Spain, 6-4, 7-5.
Women
First Round
Roberta Vinci, Italy, def. Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez, Spain, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4.
Varvara Lepchenko, United States, def. Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, 7-6 (12), 5-7, 6-1.
Peng Shuai, China, def. Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Russia, 6-1, 7-6 (2).
Daniela Hantuchova, Slovakia, def. Gisela Dulko, Argentina, 7-6 (7), 6-1.
Amelie Mauresmo, France, def. Ai Sugiyama, Japan, 6-2, 6-4.
Francesca Schiavone, Italy, def. Serena Williams (2), United States, 6-4 retired.
Caroline Wozniacki (9), Denmark, def. Shahar Peer, Israel, 5-7, 6-4.
Second Round
Elena Vesnina, Russia, def. Virginie Razzano, France, 7-5, 6-3.
Nadia Petrova (8), Russia, def. Anna-Lena Groenefeld, Germany, 4-6, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5).
Patty Schnyder, Switzerland, def. Aleksandra Wozniak, Canada, 6-2, 6-4.
Anna Chakvetadze, Russia, def. Samantha Stosur, Australia, 1-6, 6-2, 7-6 (4).
Elena Dementieva (3), Russia, def. Lourdes Dominguez Lino, Spain, 6-3, 6-2.

ATP money leaders
Through May 10

	Money
1. Rafael Nadal	\$3,784,580
2. Andy Murray	\$1,717,281
3. Novak Djokovic	\$1,593,344
4. Roger Federer	\$1,196,312
5. Andy Roddick	\$1,009,573
6. Fernando Verdasco	\$660,080
7. David Ferrer	\$635,908
8. Juan Martin del Potro	\$565,571
9. Tommy Robredo	\$516,220
10. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	\$513,377
11. Radek Stepanek	\$512,888
12. Nicolas Almagro	\$460,231
13. Fernando Gonzalez	\$460,080
14. Mardy Fish	\$420,718
15. Gilles Simon	\$415,559

WTA money leaders
Through May 10

	Money
1. Serena Williams	\$2,019,404
2. Vera Zvonareva	\$1,184,848
3. Victoria Azarenka	\$1,128,387
4. Dinara Safina	\$889,018
5. Venus Williams	\$722,017
6. Elena Dementieva	\$606,972
7. Svetlana Kuznetsova	\$548,034
8. Anna Rodnic	\$460,231
9. Caroline Wozniacki	\$367,482
10. Amelie Mauresmo	\$327,217
11. Marion Bartoli	\$296,756
12. Virginie Razzano	\$272,940
13. Jelena Jankovic	\$261,667
14. Anabel Medina Garrigues	\$261,307
15. Sabine Lisicki	\$249,596

Kane's hat trick helps Chicago cap series



SKIP STEWART/AP

Patrick Kane scored two of his three goals in the third period as the Chicago Blackhawks advanced to the Western Conference finals with a 7-5 victory over the Vancouver Canucks on Monday in Chicago.

Blackhawks finish off Canucks in six games, reach conference finals for first time since '95

By RICK GANO
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The kids made sure the Chicago Blackhawks are moving on.

Patrick Kane scored his first hat trick and Jonathan Toews scored the go-ahead goal in a wild third period Monday night as Chicago advanced to the Western Conference finals for the first time since 1995 by beating the Vancouver Canucks 7-5.

"It's about time I got the first hat trick. I've been waiting two years. I guess it can't come in a better game than this," Kane, 20, said.

In the thunderous United Center, the Blackhawks rallied from a one-goal deficit twice in the third period and put up four scores against Vancouver goalie Roberto Luongo to win the series 4-2. Next up is the Detroit Red Wings or Anaheim Ducks.

"It's awesome. We didn't want to go back to Vancouver," Toews, 21, said. "Nobody knew what was going to happen. It was unbelievable. ... We've found ways to come back, especially late in games."

Even the usually unemotional Chicago coach Joel Quenneville was shaking his head over the final period, when he said it was so loud he had trouble making line calls.

"I don't think anybody antici-

pated the craziness of the third period. The turns and swings were gigantic," Quenneville said. "How it unraveled and unfolded, it was an amazing ending."

When Chicago's Troy Brouwer was called for goaltender interference with just under 8 minutes remaining, Daniel Sedin scored quickly with a shot from the left circle that put the Canucks ahead 5-4.

Kane responded. He got a puck from behind the net and then maneuvered to the side and put a shot under Luongo to tie the game at 5.

Then, 49 seconds later on a power play, Toews worked around the side and tried to pass across the crease to Patrick Sharp. But the puck deflected in off Vancouver's Alexander Edler with 6:11 left.

Kane capped his hat trick with a hard back-hander past Luongo with 3:43 remaining, sort of an insurance score.

"I just picked up the puck in the middle, saw I had a one-on-one, made a move through the defenseman's stick and shot," Kane said.

Chicago's Nikolai Khabibulin made 33 saves and Luongo 23.

"We had some chances early and I made some saves, but the rest of the way I didn't help my teammates out," said Luongo, who was near tears in the Ca-

nucks' locker room. "When you let in seven goals, I don't think that's a very good performance."

Sedin had a pair of goals for Vancouver, which lost the final three games of the series in a crushing end to what the Canucks hoped would be a run to the Stanley Cup.

"We had a chance to go a long way," Sedin said. "That's the most disappointing thing. This was a great opportunity."

Vancouver's Mats Sundin scored to put the Canucks up 4-3 early in the third period, but Adam Burish countered on a nice centering pass from Patrick Sharp to tie the game.

The Blackhawks took a 3-1 lead in the second period on power-play goals by Kris Versteeg and Toews. The Canucks came charging back to tie on scores from Sedin and Shane O'Brien to momentarily quiet the frenzied crowd.

Mason Raymond gave the Canucks a 1-0 lead in the first period on a wrist shot from the right circle with Vancouver's Ryan Kesler standing in the crease. But Kane answered 2 minutes later with his first goal of the game, skating around Mattias Ohlund near the boards and, with Luongo apparently screened by a teammate, driving the puck past the goalie's glove.

Game 7: Pens head to Washington after failing to hold lead in third

GAME 7, FROM BACK PAGE

"We always say you work for your breaks and tonight we got it," said Viktor Kozlov, who scored twice and put Washington ahead 4-3 in the third by teaming with Alexander Semin on goals 29 seconds apart.

The Capitals couldn't hold that lead as Crosby scored with 4:18 remaining in regulation, his 10th of the playoffs. But with everything seemingly going the Penguins' way — their nearly 42-24 edge in shots, the momentum they owned after Crosby's goal and their history of overtime success — they couldn't close it out on home ice.

"We had a big effort and it didn't happen, but we believe if we give the same effort things are going to go our way [in Game 7]," Crosby said.

Ovechkin already knows what to anticipate Wednesday in what was expected to be the best series among the conference semifinals and, so far, has been exactly that.

"I think it's going to be great game," Ovechkin said. "I think the league wants us to play Game 7."



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The Washington Capitals' David Steckel, left, backhands the winning goal around Pittsburgh Penguins defenseman Philippe Boucher (43) and past the glove of Penguins goalie Marc-Andre Fleury on Monday.

No doubt the Penguins didn't, but coach Dan Bylsma appreciated what he saw despite the disappointment.

"Back and forth, great players making big plays, teams answering and grabbing momentum, tying it up late and overtime

goals," Bylsma said. "It's easy to see the quality of the game, the quality of the players and the quality of the story line."

It's not over, either.

"Game 7, there's nothing more exciting, nothing more fun than that," Eaton said.

NHL scoreboard

Playoffs

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS (Best-of-seven) EASTERN CONFERENCE

Boston vs. Carolina
Boston 4, Carolina 1
Carolina 3, Boston, 0
Carolina 3, Boston 2, OT
Carolina 4, Boston 1
Sunday: Boston 4, Carolina 0, Carolina leads series 3-2

Tuesday: Boston at Carolina
Thursday: Carolina at Boston*
Washington vs. Pittsburgh
Washington 3, Pittsburgh 2
Washington 4, Pittsburgh 3
Pittsburgh 3, Washington 2, OT
Pittsburgh 5, Washington 3
Pittsburgh 4, Washington 3, OT
Monday: Washington 5, Pittsburgh 4, OT, series tied 3-3
Wednesday: Pittsburgh at Washington

WESTERN CONFERENCE Detroit vs. Anaheim

Detroit 3, Anaheim 2
Anaheim 4, Detroit 3, 3OT
Anaheim 2, Detroit 1
Detroit 6, Anaheim 3
Sunday: Detroit 4, Anaheim 1, Detroit leads series 3-2

Tuesday: Detroit at Anaheim
Thursday: Anaheim at Detroit*

Vancouver vs. Chicago
Vancouver 5, Chicago 3
Chicago 6, Vancouver 3
Vancouver 3, Chicago 1
Chicago 2, Vancouver 1
Chicago 4, Vancouver 2
Monday: Chicago 7, Vancouver 5, Chicago wins series 4-2 — if necessary

Monday

Capitals 5, Penguins 4 (OT)
Washington 0 2 2 1-5
Pittsburgh 1 1 2 0-4
First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Kozlov (Crosby, Kunitz), 5:55.
Second Period—2, Washington, Kozlov 3 (Ovechkin, Morrison), 6:27. 3, Washington, Fleischmann 3 (Fedorov, Semin), 14:42. 4, Pittsburgh, Eaton 4 (Malkin, Boucher), 19:26 (pp).
Third Period—5, Pittsburgh, Letang 2 (Goligoski, Malkin), 4:40 (pp). 6, Washington, Semin 6 (Ovechkin, Laich), 5:38 (pp). 7, Washington, Kozlov 4 (Backstrom, Ovechkin), 6:07. 8, Pittsburgh, Crosby 10

(Orpik, Malkin), 15:42.
Overtime—9, Washington, Steckel 3 (Laich, Bradley), 6:22.
Shots on Goal—Washington 5-6-9-4—24. Pittsburgh 18-7-14-3—42.
Power-play opportunities—Washington 1 of 4; Pittsburgh 2 of 5.
Goalies—Washington, Varlamov 7-5-0 (42 shots-38 saves). Pittsburgh, Fleury 7-5-0 (24-19).
A—17,132 (16,940). T—2:47.

Blackhawks 7, Canucks 5

Vancouver 1 2 2-5
Chicago 1 2 4-7
First Period—1, Vancouver, Raymond 2 (Sundin, Ohlund), 11:13. 2, Chicago, Kane 6 (Toews), 13:13.
Second Period—3, Chicago, Versteeg 3 (Seabrook, Byfuglien), 3:54 (pp). 4, Chicago, Toews 3 (Havlat, Barker), 10:17 (pp). 5, Vancouver, D.Sedin 3 (Wellwood, Bieksa), 11:09. 6, Vancouver, O'Brien 1 (Bieksa, Rypien), 14:49.
Third Period—7, Vancouver, Sundin 3 (Ohlund, Edler), 3:43. 8, Chicago, Burish 2 (Sharp), 5:41. 9, Vancouver, D.Sedin 4 (Salo, H.Sedin), 12:15 (pp). 10, Chicago, Kane 7 (Brouwer, Campbell), 13:00. 11, Chicago, Toews 4 (Havlat, Campbell), 13:49 (pp). 12, Chicago, Kane 8, 16:17.
Shots on Goal—Vancouver 13-8-17—38. Chicago 9-12-9—30.
Power-play opportunities—Vancouver 1 of 5; Chicago 3 of 4.
Goalies—Vancouver, Luongo 6-4-0 (30 shots-23 saves). Chicago, Khabibulin 8-4-0 (38-33).
A—22,687 (20,500). T—2:29.

Calendar

May 25-30 — NHL Combine, Toronto.
June 15 — Last possible day for Stanley Cup finals.
June 18 — NHL awards show at Las Vegas.
June 26-27 — NHL draft, Montreal.
July 1 — Free agency signing period begins.
July 5 — Deadline for player-elected salary arbitration.
July 6 — Deadline for club-elected salary arbitration.
July 10 — Deadline for eligible players to elect Group 5 free agency.
July 20-Aug. 4 — Salary arbitration hearings held.
Aug. 6 — Deadline for salary arbitration decisions to be rendered.

LeBron gets help sweeping Hawks

By PAUL NEWBERRY
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Like Michael Jordan, he knows there are times that call for dominating. Like Magic Johnson, he knows there are times that call for sharing the ball.

LeBron James went with his Magic impression in the deciding game of another playoff sweep.

While failing to match his offensive explosion of Game 3, the league's MVP scored 27 points and got his teammates involved as the Cleveland Cavaliers finished off the Atlanta Hawks 84-74 Monday night to win the second-round series in four straight.

Delonte West and Mo Williams showed Cleveland isn't just a one-man squad, hitting huge shots down the stretch as the Cavaliers extended their NBA-record streak of double-digit playoff victories to eight in a row. Zydrunas Ilgauskas and Anderson Varejao pounded the boards, leading the Cavaliers to another big rebounding edge.

"I've got trust in every last one of our guys," James said.

Cleveland, which also swept the Detroit Pistons in the opening round, will face the Boston Celtics or Orlando Magic in the Eastern Conference finals.

No matter the opponent, the Cavaliers will be a lot more rested. The Celtics-Magic series is tied 2-2 and will last at least through Thursday, while the top seed heads back to Ohio to relax for a few days before opening the next round at home.

"We're glad to finish this series off," said Wally Szczerbiak, who chipped in with six points off the bench. "Now it's time to go get our rest and get ready for the next series. We have some bumps

and bruises to heal from in this series."

So do the Hawks, but they've got all summer. Joe Johnson, Al Horford and Marvin Williams were all hobbled by injuries.

"It's hard to judge this team because we really weren't healthy in this series," said Atlanta coach Mike Woodson, whose team made the second round of the playoffs for the first time in a decade, just four seasons removed from a 13-69 debacle. "We have to get better personnel-wise, but I couldn't be more proud of the guys than I am. We made some major strides this season."

James wasn't in the mood to celebrate. For the Cavaliers, the only thing that will make this season complete is hoisting a trophy after the final game.

"Why should we celebrate?" James said. "We're playing for a championship. An advance is an advance. It doesn't matter if you win in four games or you win Game 7. We're happy that we're playing great basketball ... but we're not taking for granted what we're doing right now."

The Cavaliers became the second team to sweep the first two rounds of the playoffs since the NBA expanded the first round to best-of-seven in 2003. The Miami Heat started with sweeps of New Jersey and Washington in the 2005 playoffs before losing to Detroit in the Eastern finals.

After scoring 47 points in Game 3, James struggled with his jumper in this one. Still, he came through with the Cavaliers facing their first serious challenge of the playoffs.

Midway through the fourth, James hit a towering three-pointer with 6½ minutes to go, lingering at the arc to pose with his right hand extended toward the arena



Cleveland Cavaliers guard Delonte West scores as Atlanta Hawks forward Josh Smith looks on in the third quarter of Game 4 in their Eastern Conference semifinal series Monday night in Atlanta. Cleveland won 84-74 and swept the series 4-0.

JOHN BAZEMORE/AP

roof. He also converted a three-point play with 2:03 remaining, making the basket despite getting hacked by Zaza Pachulia.

When the Hawks came at him with double- and triple-teams, James passed it off to West for an open three from the corner and, finally, found Mo Williams for a three that finished off the Hawks with 52 seconds left. The Hawks called timeout, their only way to extend the season, but James hovered near the middle of the court, just staring at a fan in a garish green shirt and orange pants who'd been riding him all game.

As usual, James had the last word. He made only nine of 22 shots from the field, but had eight rebounds and eight assists. Plus, he had some help from his teammates.

West scored 21 points, while Williams made four three-pointers to account for his 12 points. Ilgauskas had 14 points and 10 rebounds, while Varejao seemed to get his hand on every miss, picking up seven of his 11 rebounds at

the offensive end.

The Cavaliers had another dominating night on the boards, finishing with a 48-33 edge after doubling up the Hawks (46-23) two nights earlier.

"You know LeBron is going to be there, but you don't know who else is going to be there," Woodson moaned. "They've got weapons around LeBron."

West donned a pair of James' signature sneakers and showed he was worthy.

"You saw I had LeBrons on? It was the shoes," West joked.

Added James, "Delonte was awesome. He's our glue. When he gets into attack mode, when he gets into the lane, he's one of those guys who's sort of ungundable."

Josh Smith led Atlanta with 26 points, but the Hawks were doomed by a miserable shooting night — 23-for-73 from the field to finish at 31.5 percent. Joe Johnson added 18 points but made just seven of 18 shots. Mike Bibby scored his only points on a three-pointer in the final quarter.

NBA scoreboard

Playoffs

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

(Best-of-seven)

Eastern Conference

Cleveland 99, Atlanta 72
Cleveland 105, Atlanta 85
Cleveland 97, Atlanta 82
Monday: Cleveland 84, Atlanta 74,
Cleveland wins series 4-0

Boston vs. Orlando

Orlando 95, Boston 90
Boston 112, Orlando 94
Orlando 117, Boston 96
Sunday: Boston 95, Orlando 94, series tied 2-2

Tuesday: Orlando at Boston
Thursday: Boston at Orlando
Sunday, May 17: Orlando at Boston*

Western Conference

L.A. Lakers vs. Houston

Houston 100, L.A. Lakers 92
L.A. Lakers 111, Houston 98
L.A. Lakers 108, Houston 94
Sunday: Houston 99, L.A. Lakers 87,
series tied 2-2

Tuesday: Houston at L.A. Lakers

Thursday: L.A. Lakers at Houston

Sunday: Houston at L.A. Lakers*

Denver vs. Dallas

Denver 109, Dallas 95
Denver 117, Dallas 105
Denver 106, Dallas 105
Monday: Dallas 119, Denver 117, Denver leads series 3-1

Wednesday: Dallas at Denver

Friday: Denver at Dallas*

Sunday: Dallas at Denver*

* — If necessary

Monday

Cavaliers 84, Hawks 74

CLEVELAND — James 9-22 6-9 27, Varejao 0-3 2-2 2, Ilgauskas 6-13 1-4 14, M. Williams 4-11 0-0 12, D. West 7-13 5-8 21, Pavlovic 0-0 0-0 0, J. Smith 1-3 0-0 2, Wallace 0-0 0-0 2, Gibson 0-1 0-0 0, Szczerbiak 3-4 0-1 6. Totals 30-70 10-46 84.

ATLANTA — Mo. Williams 1-7 2-2 4, Jos. Smith 8-16 10-12 26, Horford 0-3 0-0 0, Bibby 1-6 0-3 3, Johnson 7-18 4-5 18, Evans 0-2 0-0 0, Murray 4-15 5-5 14, Pachulia 2-6 5-6 9, M. West 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-73 26-30 74.

Cleveland 15 25 22 22-84

Atlanta 22 16 19 7-74

Three-Point Goals—Cleveland 10-18 (M. Williams 4-7, James 3-6, D. West 2-4, Ilgauskas 1-1), Atlanta 2-13 (Bibby 1-3, Murray 1-5, M. Williams 0-1, Evans 0-1, Johnson 0-3). Rebounds—Cleveland 64 (Varejao 11), Atlanta 42 (Jos. Smith 8). Assists—Cleveland 22 (James 8), Atlanta 13 (Johnson 7). Total Fouls—Cleveland 25, Atlanta 19. Technicals—Szczerbiak, Varejao, Jos. Smith. A—19,241 (18,729).

Mavericks 119, Nuggets 117

DENVER — Anthony 15-29 9-11 41, Martin 1-4 0-0 2, Nene 2-5 5-10 9, Billups 6-12 10-10 2, Jones 3-8 3-4 10, Smith 7-10 3-5 19, Kleiza 2-7 2-4, Carter 2-4 0-5. Totals 38-79 32-44 117.

DALLAS — Howard 7-18 7-8 21, Nowitzki 14-25 16-17 44, Dampier 0-1 0-0 0, Kidd 4-8 3-4 13, Wright 3-6 2-2 8, Terry 3-7 5-7 12, Bass 4-6 3-3 11, Singleton 0-0 0-0 0, Barea 5-8 0-2 10. Totals 40-79 36-43 119.

Denver 34 29 27 27-117

Dallas 23 30 32 34-119

Three-Point Goals—Denver 9-21 (Smith 2-3, Anthony 2-5, Billups 2-6, Jones 1-1, Carter 1-2, Kleiza 1-4), Dallas 3-14 (Kidd 2-5, Terry 1-4, Wright 0-1, Howard 0-4). Fouled Out—Dampier, Dampier. Rebounds—Denver 43 (Anthony 11), Dallas 56 (Nowitzki 13). Assists—Denver 16 (Billups 7), Dallas 17 (Kidd 6). Total Fouls—Denver 29, Dallas 29. Technicals—Anthony, Billups, Kleiza, Bass, Dampier, Terry, Wright, F. F. F. Fouls—Howard, Terry. A—20,523 (19,200).

Nowitzki, Mavs fend off Nuggets to stay alive

By JAIME ARON
The Associated Press

DALLAS — Down by 14 and playing listlessly, the Dallas Mavericks sure looked ready to call it a season.

Then Carmelo Anthony threw a jab, and everything changed.

Dirk Nowitzki and the Mavs awoke from their early-game slumber with rally after rally, getting close or even tied yet unable to get ahead until the former MVP made a tough, high-arching shot with 1:05 left. Having worked so hard for the lead, they weren't about to give it back, pulling out a 119-117 victory over the Denver Nuggets on Monday night to avoid being swept.

Anthony scored a career play-off-best 41 points and snagged five steals. He was the one turning away most Dallas rallies and made a three-pointer with 3.1 seconds left that got Denver within a

point. Yet when Mavericks guard Jason Terry intentionally missed a free throw with 1.1 ticks left, Anthony was out of answers. He got the rebound, but couldn't stop the clock and didn't even have time to try a 90-foot heave.

The buzzer sounded and confetti fell as the teams left the court knowing they will meet again Wednesday night in Denver.

"It was an unbelievable game," said Nowitzki, who scored 19 of his 44 points in the fourth quarter. "We were down the whole game, but were able to come back and win and we've been doing that all season long. ... We've got to go back to Denver and let it all hang out again."

The Mavs lost all four regular-season games against the Nuggets and the first three of this series, but all along felt they were close. The scoreboard showed it, too, as Denver's margin shrunk from 14 in the opener to 12 then to one in

Game 3, which also needed a mistaken no-call and a three-pointer by Anthony with a second left.

"We've been fighting and fighting this whole series," said Mavs forward Josh Howard, who had 21 points and 11 rebounds on two bad ankles. "The end of Game 3 gave us a lot of willpower for this game."

Anthony and the Nuggets were scoring at will and the Mavericks were doing little to stop them. On one possession, Anthony turned, saw no one between him and the basket and soared for a dunk so easy it could've been preseason.

But then Anthony and Dallas' Antoine Wright — the combatants from the Game 3 finish — got their arms tangled. Once untangled, Anthony's open hand smacked Wright in the shoulder. Officials called Wright for a loose-ball foul, hit Anthony with a technical and watched a video replay to make sure they were right.

Nothing was the same after that. The intensity ratcheted to Game 7 proportions, with a total of seven technical fouls and two flagrants. It spilled into the stands, too, with security guards removing Anthony's girlfriend, LaLa Vazquez of MTV fame, for her safety and with extra protection around the mother of Kenyon Martin, who had a brief exchange with Mavs owner Mark Cuban after Game 3.

"They're allowed to be fans, but when it gets personal, it goes over the top," said Denver's Chauncey Billups, who had 24 points and seven assists.

Added Nuggets coach George Karl: "I would probably use an uglier word than hostile, but I'm not going to do that right now. I don't think it was very classy."

The postgame scene was a little calmer than after Game 3, although it may also wind up getting reviewed by the league office

because Martin and Cuban clearly exchanged words.

Alas, Denver fans won't get their chance for revenge on Cuban. He's skipping Game 5 to be at an awards ceremony in Las Vegas, keeping a promise he made to his wife six months ago.

Mavericks coach Rick Carlisle wasn't surprised his team played so well because that's been their pattern this season — bouncing back strong after hitting rock bottom. But Nowitzki refused to let them stay down for long.

"There are very few guys I have been around in this league that are as strong-willed as him," Carlisle said.

Nowitzki made 16 of 17 free throws and grabbed 13 rebounds.

"We showed character and fought," said Dallas' Jason Kidd, who had 13 points, 10 rebounds and six assists. "The pressure is on them to win the series. We don't have any pressure."

NBA: Players need flagrant foul education

League seeking to eliminate rules confusion

By BRIAN MAHONEY
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — After preseason lessons and season-long dialogue with team officials, the man in charge of discipline for the NBA believes players should have an understanding of the league's flagrant foul rules.

By the end of the weekend, it was clear that wasn't the case.

So after reading their complaints, Stu Jackson, the league's executive vice president of basketball operations, feels more dialogue may be necessary.

"I look at it as opportunity for us to further educate the players as well as the coaches in terms of what a flagrant foul is," Jackson said Monday in an interview with The Associated Press. "Certainly the league office has consistently communicated to both the competition committee members, as well as the teams, on an ongoing basis as these fouls occur."

"But if there's still some uncertainty with respect to what is a flagrant foul, what's a suspendable offense and what a hard foul is, then it's incumbent upon us here at the league office to do a better job going forward of educating everyone."

The NBA has two levels of flagrant fouls: penalty one and penalty two. A penalty one is defined as unnecessary contact. The



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Los Angeles Lakers forward Pau Gasol, center, is fouled by the Houston Rockets' Ron Artest, background, during Game 3 of a second-round playoff series in Houston on Friday. Artest was given a flagrant foul for the play and ejected from the game, although players and coaches on both teams saw it as just a hard foul. Many NBA players and coaches have expressed frustration that there's still uncertainty in the league as to what constitutes a flagrant foul.

penalty two is issued if contact is deemed both unnecessary and excessive, and calls for an automatic ejection.

It's up to the officials to determine if a foul fits either or both

criteria, and the definitions of those terms could change from official to official.

"Flagrants in this game, it's a little gray. There are some gray areas there, and I don't have a so-

lution," Houston forward Shane Battier said.

"A lot of it comes down to judgment calls of the referees. I don't have a good answer. It would be nice to get some dialogue and get some discussion and some real talk, not just lip service to address it."

Battier and the Lakers' Kobe Bryant discussed their frustration with the rule Friday night after Ron Artest's flagrant foul against Pau Gasol in the closing minutes of Los Angeles' victory over Houston in Game 3 of their Western Conference semifinal series.

Artest was given a penalty two and thrown out, even though players and coaches on both teams thought it was nothing more than a hard foul, at most worthy of a flagrant one. On Saturday, Lakers coach Phil Jackson said the league must do a better job of defining the rules.

"Yeah, they have to. Even our guys announcing the games have no idea," Jackson said. "Is that a foul? Is that a flagrant one, is that a flagrant two? Then, they're surprised when it's a flagrant two, or no foul at all. Obviously, they're the guys who see replays a lot of times before we see them. I haven't even seen the replay on Artest's foul on Pau. It didn't look flagrant two to me."

Stu Jackson agreed, and later Saturday downgraded the play to a flagrant one, reducing by one the flagrant foul points against Artest. A player is suspended one game in the postseason once he reaches four flagrant foul points.

But that would have done the Rockets no good if the foul had been committed in the opening

minutes and they had to go without their leading scorer for nearly an entire playoff game.

Before the player is ejected, the referees must review a video of the play to ensure that the flagrant two was warranted. Even though the league office later decided the Artest play wasn't, Stu Jackson believes the replay system would usually prevent the officials from getting it wrong.

"Certainly with respect to flagrant foul penalty ones and all fouls in general, the referees have to make decisions in split tenths of a second," he said. "When you're evaluating the severity of the contact, that's a daunting task and isn't always easy to do. That's why the league office evaluates flagrant fouls postgame to confirm them."

Jackson said the league is discussing ways it can offer more education before the playoffs are over, but deeper information probably won't come until next fall. He said the preseason meetings the referees operations department holds with each team may include a segment just on flagrant fouls.

And perhaps there won't be such confusion by this time next season.

"Throughout the season I spend an inordinate amount of time speaking with teams, primarily GMs and coaches, when they inquire about flagrant fouls as to the reasons a given play was evaluated the way it was," Jackson said. "But if there's still uncertainty, we need to do more."

AP Sports Writer Chris Duncan in Houston contributed to this report.

NBA briefs

Cuban apologizes to K-Mart's mom for remark

The Associated Press

DALLAS — Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban has apologized to the mother of Denver Nuggets forward Kenyon Martin.

Cuban made a crack after a Mavs loss in Dallas on Saturday in their NBA playoff series. According to Cuban, a fan called the Nuggets "thugs." Cuban looked at Martin's mother, Lydia Moore of Dallas, and said, "That includes your son." Martin's agent told the Denver Post that Cuban said to Martin's mother that her son is a "punk."

In a Tuesday post on Cuban's blog titled "An Apology to Kenyon Martin's Mom," Cuban wrote that he shouldn't have said anything. He added that this matter has gotten out of hand.

The Mavs trail the series 3-1 after Monday's 119-117 Dallas victory.

Pacers' Granger voted Most Improved

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana Pacers forward Danny Granger is the NBA's Most Improved Player, winning the award after averaging a career-best 25.8 points a game this season.

Granger accepted the award Tuesday during a ceremony at Conseco Fieldhouse.

He won the honor after being selected to the All-Star team this year for the first time and improving his scoring average by

at least five points in each of the past three seasons. He averaged 7.5 points as a rookie out of New Mexico, then 13.9 in his second season and 19.6 in 2007-08.

Granger had the NBA's fifth highest scoring average this season.

Lakers' Odom questionable

LOS ANGELES — Los Angeles Lakers forward Lamar Odom was listed as questionable for Tuesday night's Western Conference semifinals Game 5 against the Houston Rockets after an MRI and CT scan showed he has a bruised lower back.

Odom left Sunday's 99-87 loss with back spasms in the third quarter. He was hurt when he drove into the lane and collided with Shane Battier, landing hard on the court.

He remained face down, writhing in pain, for about a minute before slowly rising to his knees, then got up and made his way down the court. He was called for a charging foul and then was given a technical after jawing with an official over the call.

He had two points and six rebounds.

'Big Baby' apologizes for bumping fan

WALTHAM, Mass. — Boston Celtics forward Glen "Big Baby" Davis has apologized for bumping a 12-year-old boy while

celebrating his game-winning shot against the Orlando Magic.

Davis said Tuesday he didn't see the boy as he turned and ran to the Celtics bench to celebrate his 21-foot jumper that gave the Celtics a 95-94 victory over the Magic on Sunday.

Video of the play shows the 6-foot-9, 289-pound Davis ducking behind a referee and stepping out of bounds before bumping the boy and knocking off his hat.

The boy's father wrote the NBA office demanding an apology.

Warriors cut ties with Mullin

OAKLAND, Calif. — Although Chris Mullin apparently stopped running the Golden State Warriors several months ago, this confusing NBA club didn't bother to make it official until Monday.

The Warriors finally cut ties with Mullin, their top basketball executive, nearly a year after the former star player seemingly lost all authority in a power struggle within the tumultuous Warriors.

Mullin, the Warriors' executive vice president of basketball operations, will be replaced by Larry Riley, a longtime assistant to coach Don Nelson.

Riley, an assistant general manager since last November, was promoted to general manager in a statement by team presi-

dent Robert Rowell.

Mullin's contract won't be renewed after it ends June 30, but the two-time U.S. Olympian and St. John's star has been on the outs with Rowell for much longer. They clashed last summer over decisions on a contract extension for Baron Davis and a suspension for injured guard Monta Ellis.

DiLeo will help find his replacement

PHILADELPHIA — Tony DiLeo coached the Philadelphia 76ers to 32 victories in the regular season and two more in the playoffs. He'll now lend an assist in the search for his replacement.

One day after withdrawing his name from consideration to return as the team's coach next season, DiLeo discussed his reasons for stepping down and returning to his role as senior vice president and assistant to general manager and team president Ed Stefanski.

"Family has a lot to do with it," DiLeo said Tuesday. "I will cherish returning to that role to help build the 76ers' organization for a championship."

After the Sixers stumbled to a 9-14 start under Maurice Cheeks, Stefanski replaced him with DiLeo on an interim basis. Philadelphia went 32-27 under DiLeo and earned the No. 6 seed in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

Sports briefs

Clemens breaks silence, again denies drug use

From staff and wire reports

NEW YORK — Roger Clemens broke his silence Tuesday, again denying that former personal trainer Brian McNamee injected him with performance-enhancing drugs in his first public comments in more than a year.

The seven-time Cy Young Award winner was interviewed by phone on ESPN Radio's "Mike & Mike in the Morning." He said he chose to speak out Tuesday because it was the official release date of a book about his alleged drug use.

"He's never injected me with HGH or steroids," Clemens said of McNamee, who told baseball investigator George Mitchell he had injected Clemens with drugs.

"American Icon: The Fall of Roger Clemens and the Rise of Steroids in America's Pastime," by four New York Daily News reporters, recaps previous reports in the newspaper. It had been available to reviewers and had excerpts published before Tuesday.

Clemens said he had given a DNA sample to federal investigators but that syringes provided by McNamee would not link him to performance-enhancing drug use.

"It's impossible because he's never given me any," Clemens said.

Clemens is under investigation by a federal grand jury in Washington that is trying to determine whether he lied when he told a congressional committee last year that he had not used illegal performance-enhancing drugs. Clemens said he had not been summoned to testify before the grand jury.

He also has sued McNamee for defamation.

Philadelphia's new MLS team unveils name, logo

PHILADELPHIA — Major League Soccer's newest team will be called the Philadelphia Union.

Team officials announced the 16th MLS franchise's name, logo and colors before a crowd of cheering supporters at City Hall on Monday.

The team's logo is a vintage gold rattlesnake on a field of blue that was inspired by the "Join, or Die" political cartoons created by Ben Franklin during the 1750s that advocated colonial unity against England. Thirteen stars surround the logo.

Philadelphia Union will open play in March 2010.

Lightning make Tocchet their full-time coach

TAMPA, Fla. — The Tampa Bay Lightning made Rick Tocchet their full-time coach Monday, lifting the interim tag and giving him a multiyear contract.

The former NHL star took over in mid-November after Barry Melrose was fired. Tampa Bay went 19-33-14 under Tocchet.

Tampa Bay general manager Brian Lawton said assistant coach Wes Walz, goaltending coach Cap Raeder and video coach Nigel Kirwan also will return for the 2009-10 season.



MATT ROURKE/AP

Team owner Jay Sugarman, left, and the mayor of Philadelphia, Michael Nutter, help to display the logo Monday for the Philadelphia Union Major League Soccer team during a news conference outside City Hall in Philadelphia. Officials announced Philadelphia Union will be the name of the expansion team to be located in Chester, Pa.

Mississippi State's Varnado returning for senior year

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Mississippi State center Jarvis Varnado will return for his senior season after deciding not to turn pro.

The school announced the decision late Monday.

The nation's leading shot blocker for two straight seasons will make a run at the NCAA record for career blocks in 2009-10. He is 19 blocks shy of breaking Shaquille O'Neal's career SEC record of 412 and is 142 from passing the NCAA career mark of 535 set from 1999-2002 by Louisiana-Monroe's Wojciech Mydra.

Varnado led the Bulldogs in points (12.9) and rebounds (8.8) and had 170 blocks last season.

Owner says Thrashers aren't moving from Atlanta

ATLANTA — The Atlanta Thrashers have had "several inquiries" from possible investors, but have not had talks about moving the team.

One of the team's owners, Washington businessman Bruce Levenson, said Monday "there is no truth to the rumor" the ownership group has been involved in discussions about taking the team out of Atlanta, including with a Vancouver group reportedly interested in relocating the Thrashers to Hamilton, Ontario.

Levenson said his Atlanta Spirit LLC ownership group, which also owns the NBA's Atlanta Hawks and operating rights to Philips Arena, recently hired an agency to "explore inquiries" from possible investors. He said there are ongoing talks but added "none involve moving either team."

Virginia Tech's Thorns plans to transfer

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech backup guard Hank Thorns plans to transfer.

The Hokies announced Thorns' intentions Monday.

The sophomore from Las Vegas averaged less than three points and two rebounds in 30 games this season. He says he wants a greater role on another team.

Coach Seth Greenberg called Thorns a tremendous asset to the program and says the team wishes him well in the future.

Report: Ramirez had elevated testosterone level

BRISTOL, Conn. — Manny Ramirez's positive urine test showed an elevated testosterone level, and a lab used a test to determine whether the hormone was naturally produced to build evidence against him, ESPN.com reported Monday.

Baseball asked the World Anti-Doping Agency lab in Montreal to perform a carbon isotope ratio test, which determines whether testosterone is natural or synthetic, the Web site reported. MLB then asked Ramirez to produce medical records, as required under the drug agreement.

Ramirez's test had a testosterone-epitestosterone ratio between 4:1 and 10:1, ESPN.com reported. Typically, a person naturally produces the hormones at a ratio of 1:1; tests of 4:1 or greater are flagged.

Ramirez was banned for 50 games Thursday. He's eligible to return July 3.

Friesan Fire added to Preakness field

BALTIMORE — Friesan Fire will run in Saturday's Preakness Stakes after the colt finished next-to-last as the wagering favorite in the Kentucky Derby.

Trainer Larry Jones announced his decision Tuesday morning after Friesan Fire worked out at Pimlico with jockey Gabriel Saez aboard.

FC Dallas goalie Sala out with knee injury

FRISCO, Texas — FC Dallas goalkeeper Dario Sala will miss the next four to six weeks with a knee injury.

The team said Monday in a news release that an MRI showed Sala had bone bruising to his left knee. Sala had surgery earlier this season to repair a torn meniscus on the same knee.

Sala has played in two games this season. He started the sea-

son opener against Chicago, but surgery sidelined him for the next four games. He received a red card in the April 25 game against Chivas USA, keeping him out one game, and then missed Saturday's game with Houston because of knee pain.

Sala started 28 games last season and had a career-high seven shutouts.

Former Cowboys quarterback Carter arrested in Texas

ABILENE, Texas — Former Dallas Cowboys quarterback Quincy Carter is free on bond after his arrest in Abilene.

Abilene police say Carter was arrested Sunday night on a probation violation warrant. The violation arose from a February arrest in South Texas for alleged drunken driving.

Carter now plays for the Abilene Ruff Riders of the Indoor Football League. In 2003, he led the Cowboys to a 10-6 season and the playoffs in their first season under coach Bill Parcells.

Dallas released Carter in training camp before the 2004 season. He started briefly for the New York Jets before poor play and drug-related arrests ended his NFL career. The former Georgia star played in the Arena League before a brief tryout last year with the Miami Dolphins.

Di Luca wins 4th stage of Giro

SAN MARTINO DI CASTROZZA, Italy — Italy's Danilo Di Luca has won the fourth stage of the Giro d'Italia in an uphill finish, with Lance Armstrong 15 seconds behind.

Sweden's Thomas Lövkvist took the overall leader's pink jersey from Alessandro Petacchi of Italy on Tuesday.

Di Luca of the LPR Brakes team covered the 101 miles from Padua to San Martino di Castrozza in the Dolomite range in an unofficial time of 4 hours, 15 minutes, 3 seconds.

Stefano Garzelli finished second and Franco Pellizotti was third, both in the same time as Di Luca, to give Italy a podium sweep.

Stars' Modano says he's returning for 20th season

DALLAS — Mike Modano is coming back for his 20th NHL season.

A month after the Dallas Stars ended their season without a playoff berth, and Modano said he would take some time to ponder if he would retire, the highest-scoring U.S.-born player in NHL history said Monday he would play in 2009-10.

Modano, who turns 39 next month, is already under contract for \$2.25 million next season, the last of a five-year deal. He would have gotten \$750,000 if he had decided to walk away.

Modano had 15 goals and 31 assists in 80 games last season, and his 543 career goals and 1,329 points are tops for U.S. natives. He holds every significant franchise scoring mark and has led the club to three Stanley Cup finals, winning the title in 1999.

Only four active players have played more games than Modano: Chris Chelios (1,644), Brendan Shanahan (1,524), Mark Recchi (1,490), and Rod Brind'Amour (1,404).

Woman indicted for trying to extort Louisville's Pitino

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The estranged wife of a longtime aide to Rick Pitino was indicted Tuesday on federal charges of trying to extort money from the Louisville men's basketball coach and lying to the FBI.

Karen Cunagin Sypher, 49, faces a combined maximum penalty of seven years in prison and a \$500,000 fine if convicted of the two charges, federal authorities said. Sypher is the estranged wife of Louisville equipment manager Tim Sypher.

Karen Sypher's attorney, Thomas Clay, said she would plead not guilty during her arraignment Wednesday.

The complaint said Tim Sypher brought Pitino a written list of demands from his wife, including college tuition for her children, two cars, her house paid off and \$3,000 per month. The demands later escalated to \$10 million instead.

Authorities have not said what sort of information Karen Sypher might have been trying to use to extort Pitino. They have said the coach believed it was related to an unspecified 2003 encounter with her.

White Sox closer Jenks fined for purpose pitch

CLEVELAND — Chicago White Sox closer Bobby Jenks was fined Tuesday for throwing a pitch behind Texas' Ian Kinsler last weekend.

Major League Baseball imposed the penalty and did not disclose the amount, nor did Jenks.

"What's done is done," Jenks said. "Hopefully after today, we can get by this and go play some baseball."

Jenks sailed a fastball in back of Kinsler on Saturday. Jenks later said the pitch was intentional because he was tired of watching White Sox batters getting hit with no retaliation.

Utah men's basketball coach gets new contract, raise

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah has rewarded basketball coach Jim Boylen with a raise and new contract after just two years on the job.

Utah announced Tuesday that Boylen has signed a five-year deal that will pay him \$850,000 annually with potential for \$1 million with incentives.

Boylen has gone 42-25 in two seasons at Utah. The Utes tied for the Mountain West Conference regular-season championship and won the league tournament this spring, reaching the NCAA tournament for the first time since 2005.

NASCAR should reveal Mayfield's drug violation

NCHARLOTTE, N.C. NASCAR proved how serious it is about its toughened drug policy with a swift suspension of Jeremy Mayfield, the first driver to run afoul of the random testing program.

Now tell fans what Mayfield did. NASCAR won't reveal what banned drug Mayfield used, saying only that it wasn't an alcohol-related offense. When pressed for more information, NASCAR officials would not budge.

"It's not relevant to the public interest," spokesman Ramsey Poston said. "What's relevant is that this guy failed the test. It's a zero-tolerance test. That's all that matters."

Not really. It is relevant to know if Mayfield was driving a car high on a recreational drug.

It is relevant to know what dangers the 42 other drivers were exposed to with Mayfield on the track.

It is relevant to Mayfield, who blames the positive test from Richmond International Speedway on the combination of a prescribed medicine and an over-the-counter medicine.

As long as NASCAR won't say what he did, no explanation can ever be fully believed, especially as Dr. David Black, the CEO of Aegis Sciences Corp., which runs NASCAR's testing program, dismissed Mayfield's explanation.

So what exactly did Mayfield do?

Did he take something to improve his strength, stave off fatigue or otherwise improve his performance? Or did he endanger the lives of his fellow competitors by operating a vehicle under the influence of an illegal street drug?

Former Truck Series driver Aaron Fike certainly did, admitting last year to heroin use, even on race days. Fike's startling revelation led several of NASCAR's top drivers to call for a tougher drug policy.

Fike wasn't the only one using. Lower-tier drivers Shane Hmiel received a lifetime ban in 2006 after a third failed test, and Kevin Grubb never raced again after a second suspension that same year. Grubb was found dead of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head in a Richmond-area motel last week.

Last year, NASCAR provided teams with a detailed list of banned substances it would test crew members for this season.

According to the memo teams received last December, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press, crew members are tested for:

- Seven amphetamines, including methamphetamine and PMA, a synthetic psychostimulant and hallucinogen;

- Three drugs classified under ephedrine;

- 13 narcotics, including codeine and morphine;

- Ten benzodiazepines and barbiturates;

- Marijuana, cocaine, zolpidem, nitrites, chromates and drugs that can increase specific gravity.

No such banned list exists specifically for drivers because NASCAR reserved the right to test for anything it wants. It would be laughable, though, to suggest the drivers would be held to a lesser standard.

Yet why did NASCAR allow Mayfield to drive after it was told he had tested positive?

Aegis Sciences Corp. informed Mayfield his "A" sample failed Tuesday, three days after the Richmond race. NASCAR was informed two days later. On Friday, the series reported to Darlington Raceway, and Mayfield requested his backup "B" sample be tested. He was allowed to participate in two Sprint Cup Series practice sessions and attempt to qualify his car for Saturday night's race while Aegis analyzed the backup sample.

Mayfield failed to qualify, and he was told a few hours before the Southern 500 that his "B" sample had come back positive, too.

He's not welcome back in NASCAR until he completes a tailor-

made program by Black, who will recommend whether he should be reinstated.

But until Mayfield's fellow competitors — the drivers who race door-to-door with him at speeds close to 200 mph — receive full disclosure and find out exactly what he took, no one should feel comfortable with him on the track.



CJ DRIGGERS/AP

NASCAR suspended driver Jeremy Mayfield on Saturday after he failed a random drug test, but officials haven't revealed whether Mayfield used a performance-enhancing drug or illegal street drug.

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Bats come to life; Indians end skid

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Eric Wedge knows that one victory hasn't turned around the Cleveland Indians' season.

The Indians manager wants to build on Carl Pavano's third straight winning start, a 9-4 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Monday night that snapped the Indians' four-game losing streak.

"We need to come right back here and do it in all areas again," Wedge said. "We don't need to talk about it. We need to do it. We need to come at them and work just as hard."

Cleveland scored in the first inning for the first time this month, totaled 13 hits, and made some big plays in the field.

"It finally felt like a real baseball game," third baseman Mark DeRosa said. "Any win right now is big."

Pavano (3-3) allowed four runs and 10 hits in 6 1/3 innings. He didn't issue a walk, struck out three and threw 67 of 87 pitches for strikes.

"The guys played great behind me and scored runs early, but personally I'm disappointed," Pavano said. "I felt strong, but needed to go deeper. This is a game that I should have kept the bullpen out of it."

Shin-Soo Choo and Jhonny Peralta had three RBI apiece for Cleveland, which scored three

more runs than it did during its four-game slide.

Gavin Floyd (2-3) gave up eight runs, 11 hits and three walks in five innings as Chicago lost for the seventh time in nine games. Floyd is 0-2 with a 9.73 ERA and 12 walks in four starts since April 19.

"In the big leagues, if you don't throw a strike, I don't care how good you are, you're going to get killed," White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen said of the right-hander. "He couldn't throw his curve for strikes because he couldn't throw his fastball for strikes. You have to command your fastball to make the other pitches work."

The Indians built a 6-0 lead through four innings.

Choo had an RBI single and DeRosa an RBI double in Cleveland's two-run first.

Choo's bases-loaded single scored two to make it 4-0 in the fourth. Floyd then hit DeRosa in the left forearm with a pitch to again load the bases and Peralta followed with a two-run single to center.

"I was more aggressive," Choo said. "The last few games, I was looking for walks. Tonight, I tried to make it simple — see the ball, hit the ball."

A.J. Pierzynski had an RBI single in Chicago's two-run fifth. DeRosa made a diving backhand stop of a sharp grounder by Alexi Ramirez down the third base line



MARK DUNCAN/AP

Shin-Soo Choo, right, and Victor Martinez celebrate after Cleveland beat the Chicago White Sox on Monday in Cleveland. Choo drove in three runs as the Indians ended a four-game losing streak.

to prevent more damage. Ramirez got an RBI, but was thrown out at first.

Victor Martinez and Peralta had RBI singles and Ryan Garko

a sacrifice fly as Cleveland took a 9-2 lead in the sixth.

Josh Fields and Ramirez each singled home runs in for Chicago in the seventh.

Jenks' 'purpose pitch' being reviewed

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Chicago White Sox closer Bobby Jenks is done throwing purpose pitches.

That's what he said Monday, following his performance last weekend when he sailed a fastball behind Texas' Ian Kinsler.

Jenks later said the pitch was intentional because he was tired of watching White Sox hitters getting plunked with no retribution. Major League Baseball wants to investigate the matter.

"I'll not do it again," Jenks said. "But again, I wasn't trying to hit him. If they'll investigate that, they'll see that. It wasn't a dirty pitch. It wasn't up. It was right at his butt."

Jenks said he hadn't heard from MLB. He said his wife called him after hearing that the league will look into the incident. ESPNChicago.com was the first to report the pending investigation.

Jenks threw the pitch in question during the ninth inning of Chicago's 3-2 victory Saturday. Through six games between the teams this season, Texas pitchers hit six White Sox batters; Chicago pitchers nailed one Texas hitter.

"I wanted to go in and send a message and I think that message was sent. Our guys have been hit a lot this series, definitely in a one-run game didn't want to put anyone on base. Just wanted to



PAUL BEATY/AP

White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen congratulates closer Bobby Jenks after defeating Texas on Saturday. Jenks threw behind the Rangers' Ian Kinsler during the game and MLB is investigating the pitch.

send a message and say, 'Hey, we can play that game, too,' Jenks said after the victory.

White Sox manager Ozzie Guil-

len found nothing wrong.

"The ball didn't even get close to hitting him," Guillen said. "You hit the guy or you hurt him,

then I see something wrong. We'll wait and see what decision they'll make. I'm not going to get caught up in that."

Since Guillen became manager prior to the 2004 season, White Sox pitchers have hit 270 batters, the lowest number in baseball. White Sox batters have been hit 331 times during that same span.

"I see a lot of my hitters almost get broken hands on back to back days," Guillen said. "I never retaliated, because in my opinion, it wasn't on purpose. But if I'm a hitter and I keep getting hit, and my pitchers don't protect me, I don't want to play for them. That's the way baseball is and that's the way baseball is going to be."

Guillen has admitted in the past when he ordered a pitcher to throw at a batter, but insisted Monday he only does it when he sees his guys getting hit intentionally.

Guillen did not agree with Jenks' decision to throw behind Kinsler on Saturday.

"I know other managers will hit people every other day, and they hide behind the bushes like, 'We tried pitching inside. We didn't mean it.' Oh really? I'm not going to hit anybody when they (opponents) try pitching inside. But if I see a guy throw at my guy, I'm going to throw at your guy."

AL scoreboard

American League

	East Division		Pct	GB
	W	L		
Toronto	22	12	.647	—
Boston	20	12	.625	1
New York	15	16	.484	5 1/2
Tampa Bay	15	18	.455	6 1/2
Baltimore	13	19	.406	8
	Central Division		Pct	GB
	W	L		
Detroit	17	13	.567	—
Kansas City	18	14	.563	—
Minnesota	15	17	.469	3
Chicago	14	16	.467	3
Cleveland	11	21	.344	7
	West Division		Pct	GB
	W	L		
Texas	17	14	.548	—
Los Angeles	16	14	.533	1/2
Seattle	16	16	.500	1 1/2
Oakland	11	18	.379	5

Sunday's games

Cleveland 3, Detroit 5
N.Y. Yankees 5, Baltimore 3
Texas 7, Chicago White Sox 1
Seattle 5, Minnesota 3
L.A. Angels 4, Kansas City 3
Toronto 5, Oakland 0
Boston 4, Tampa Bay 3

Monday's game

Cleveland 9, Chicago White Sox 4

Tuesday's games

Tampa Bay at Baltimore
Chicago White Sox at Cleveland
N.Y. Yankees at Toronto
Seattle at Texas
Detroit at Minnesota
Boston at L.A. Angels
Kansas City at Oakland

Wednesday's games

Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 5-0) at Cleveland (Cl.Lee 1-5)
Tampa Bay (Niemann 2-3) at Baltimore (Bergesen 1-0)
N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 2-1) at Toronto (Richmond 4-1)
Seattle (Washburn 3-2) at Texas (McCarthy 3-1)
Detroit (Willis 0-0) at Minnesota (Perkins 1-2)
Kansas City (Bannister 3-0) at Oakland (Outman 0-0)
Boston (Wakefield 4-1) at L.A. Angels (Palmer 3-0)

Thursday's games

Detroit at Minnesota
Seattle at Texas
Boston at L.A. Angels
N.Y. Yankees at Toronto
Cleveland at Tampa Bay
Baltimore at Kansas City

Monday

Indians 9, White Sox 4

Chicago	ab	r	h	bi	Cleveland	ab	r	h	bi
Getz 2b	5	0	0	0	Sizemr cf	5	1	1	0
Lilliedt cf	4	0	1	0	Acarer 2b	4	2	2	0
Betemp lf	1	0	0	0	VMrtznz 1b	4	3	1	1
Quentin lf	4	0	0	0	Choo rf	4	1	2	3
Dye rf	4	0	1	0	DeRosa 3b	4	1	2	1
Thome dh	4	1	2	0	Peralta ss	5	0	3	3
Konerk 1b	4	2	3	0	Dellucc dh	3	0	0	0
Przyns c	4	1	2	1	Garko ph-dh	0	0	1	0
Fields 3b	3	0	2	1	Bmcns lf	4	0	1	0
Alfmrz ss	4	0	1	2	Shppch c	3	1	1	0
Totals	37	4	12	4	Totals	36	9	13	9

Chicago 000 020 200—4
Cleveland 200 403 00x—9
DP—Cleveland 1. LOB—Chicago 7, Cleveland 9. 2B—Pierzynski (3), DeRosa (8), B.Francisco (5). SB—A.Cabrera (6). CS—Getz (1). SF—Garko.

Chicago	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Floyd L2-3	5	11	8	8	3	3
Gobbie	1/3	2	1	1	0	1
Broadway	2 2/3	0	0	0	1	2

Cleveland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pavano W3-3	6 1/3	10	4	4	0	3
Laffey	1 2/3	2	0	0	0	2
R.Betancourt	1	0	0	0	1	0

Floyd pitched to 2 batters in the 6th. HBP—by Floyd (DeRosa). T—2:53. A—14,567 (45,199).

AL leaders

	Batting				Pct.
	G	AB	R	H	
Youkilis Bos	25	89	23	35	.393
McCabrera Det	30	111	18	42	.378
VMartinez Cle	33	129	25	48	.372
Longoria TB	31	123	27	44	.353
AdJones Bal	30	120	33	43	.358
AHill Tor	34	153	25	54	.353
Markakis Bal	32	122	33	43	.352
Bartlett TB	31	114	18	40	.351
Callaspo KC	29	103	17	35	.340
Crawford TB	33	135	25	45	.333

Home Runs

CPena, Tampa Bay, 13; Longoria, Tampa Bay, 11; Bay, Boston, 9; Blalock, Texas, 9; Damon, New York, 9; Granderson, Detroit, 9; Kinsler, Texas, 9.

Runs Batted In

Longoria, Tampa Bay, 44; Bay, Boston, 34; CPena, Tampa Bay, 32; Huff, Baltimore, 31; Lind, Toronto, 31; Markakis, Baltimore, 30; AHill, Toronto, 29.

Stolen bases

Crawford, Tampa Bay, 22; Ellsbury, Boston, 15; Abreu, Los Angeles, 12; Figgins, Los Angeles, 12; Crisp, Kansas City, 8; Kinsler, Texas, 8; 5 tied at 7.

Pitching (3 Decisions)

Buehrle, Chicago, 5-0, 1.000; Frasor, Toronto, 4-0, 1.000; RRamirez, Boston, 3-0, 1.000; ABailey, Oakland, 3-0, 1.000; Palmer, Los Angeles, 3-0, 1.000; Bannister, Kansas City, 3-0, 1.000; Halladay, Toronto, 6-1, .857.

Strikeouts

Greinke, Kansas City, 59; Verlander, Detroit, 56; Lester, Boston, 49; Fhernandez, Seattle, 47; Halladay, Toronto, 44; Bedard, Seattle, 43; Garza, Tampa Bay, 42.

Saves

FFrancisco, Texas, 9; Fuentes, Los Angeles, 9; Papelbon, Boston, 8; Sorra, Kansas City, 7; Jenks, Chicago, 7; 3 tied at 6.



BEN MARGOT/AP

The Nationals' Ryan Zimmerman rounds third base after hitting a home run off the Giants' Randy Johnson during the sixth inning Monday. Zimmerman extended his hitting streak to 29 games.

NL scoreboard

National League					Giants 11, Nationals 7									
East Division					Washington					San Francisco				
	W	L	Pct	GB		ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
New York	17	14	.548	—	CGzmn ss	5	0	2	0	Burriss 2b	5	0	0	1
Florida	17	15	.531	½	NJhnsn 1b	5	0	1	0	Renteri ss	4	0	0	1
Philadelphia	15	14	.517	1	Zmrmn 3b	5	2	4	4	Sandowl 3b	4	2	2	1
Atlanta	16	16	.500	1½	Dunn rf	4	1	2	0	BMolin c	5	0	1	0
Washington	10	20	.333	6½	Dukes cf	5	0	2	1	Winn rf	4	3	3	1
Central Division					Wlngh lf	5	1	1	1	Wlowd c	2	1	1	1
St. Louis	20	12	.625	—	Bellird 2b	3	1	1	1	Flewis lf	5	2	1	0
Cincinnati	18	14	.563	2	Villone p	0	0	0	0	Ishikaw 1b	4	1	3	2
Milwaukee	18	14	.563	2	Kearns ph	1	0	0	0	RJhnsn p	2	1	1	0
Chicago	17	14	.548	2½	Hanrhn p	0	0	0	0	JMiller p	1	0	0	0
Houston	14	17	.452	5½	Nieves c	4	1	1	0	Matos p	1	0	1	0
Pittsburgh	12	19	.387	7½	DCarer p	2	0	0	0	Meddrs p	0	0	0	0
West Division					Kensng p	0	0	0	0	BWlsn p	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	22	11	.667	—	WHarris 2b	2	1	1	0	Totals	41	7	15	7
San Francisco	17	14	.548	4	Totals	41	7	15	7	Totals	38	11	4	8
San Diego	13	19	.406	8½	Washington	010	102	003—7						
Colorado	12	18	.400	8½										
Arizona	13	20	.394	9										

Monday's games
 Atlanta 8, N.Y. Mets 3
 Cincinnati 13, Arizona 5
 San Francisco 11, Washington 7

Tuesday's games
 L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia
 St. Louis at Pittsburgh
 Atlanta at N.Y. Mets
 San Diego at Chicago Cubs
 Florida at Milwaukee
 Houston at Colorado
 Cincinnati at Arizona
 Washington at San Francisco

Wednesday's games
 Atlanta (Reyes 0-2) at N.Y. Mets (Niese 0-0)
 Washington (Martis 4-0) at San Francisco (Zito 1-2)
 St. Louis (Pineiro 4-2) at Pittsburgh (Ohlendorf 3-3)
 L.A. Dodgers (Wolf 1-1) at Philadelphia (Moyer 3-2)
 Florida (Nolasco 2-3) at Milwaukee (Looper 2-2)
 San Diego (Young 2-1) at Chicago Cubs (Lilly 4-2)
 Houston (Hampton 1-3) at Colorado (Marquis 4-2)
 Cincinnati (Cueto 3-1) at Arizona (Augenstein 0-0)

Thursday's games
 L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia
 Florida at Milwaukee
 San Diego at Chicago Cubs
 Houston at Colorado
 St. Louis at Pittsburgh
 N.Y. Mets at San Francisco

Monday
Braves 8, Mets 3

Atlanta					New York				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
KJhnsn 2b	6	1	2	0	JosRys ss	3	0	0	0
Escobar ss	4	2	3	1	Castillo 2b	3	0	0	0
Prado 3b	4	0	1	0	Beltran cf	4	0	1	0
McCnn c	5	2	1	0	DWright 3b	4	1	2	0
M.Diaz lf	5	1	2	0	DnMrp lf	4	0	0	0
Ktchm 1b	4	1	2	2	Tatis 1b	4	2	2	1
Francr rf	4	0	1	0	Reed rf	3	0	2	0
Schafer cf	4	0	1	0	Santos c	3	0	1	2
D.Lowe p	3	0	1	0	Santan p	2	0	0	0
Moylan p	0	0	0	0	Parnell p	0	0	0	0
Norton ph	1	1	1	0	Feliciano p	0	0	0	0
RSorin p	0	0	0	0	Stokes p	0	0	0	0
Infante ph	1	0	1	0	Cora ph	1	0	1	0
Carlyle p	0	0	0	0	Takhashi p	0	0	0	0
Totals	41	8	16	7	Sheffield ph	1	0	0	0
Atlanta	100	000	412—8		Totals	32	3	9	3
New York	000	010	101—3		Atlanta	000	010	101—3	

E—Jos.Reyes (5), D.Wright (4), DP—Atlanta 3, New York 1. LOB—Atlanta 11, New York 6. 2B—McCann (4), D.Wright (8), Tatis (3), Reed (1). S—Prado. SF—Francœur, Santos.

IP H R ER BB SO
 D.Lowe W-5.1
 Moylan H-5
 R.Soriano
 Carlyle
 1 3 1 1 1 0 2
 1 3 1 1 1 0 2
 6½ 7 2 0 1 6
 0½ 1 1 0 0 0
 0 2 2 0 0 0
 1½ 3 1 1 0 0
 1 3 2 2 1 0

Feliciano pitched to 3 batters in the 7th. HBP—by Santana (Kotchman). WP—Takhashi. T—3:04. A—40, 497 (41,800).

NL roundup

Mets muff another strong outing from ace Santana

Lowe is just as good, and Braves back him up

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Johan Santana would be just about unbeatable if he got any help from his teammates.

Derek Lowe outlasted Santana in a matchup of NL East aces, pitching the Atlanta Braves to an 8-3 victory Monday night that ended the New York Mets' seven-game winning streak.

In a season-long trend that has become maddening for the Mets, they provided Santana with little support on offense or defense. Jose Reyes' two-out error at shortstop in the seventh inning led to four runs, saddling Santana (4-2) with his second loss this year when he did not allow an earned run.

"It's crazy that it happened twice already," Santana said. "There's not many things I can do."

The two-time Cy Young Award winner was pulled after 108 pitches with the score tied at 1. He lowered his NL-best ERA to 0.78 through seven starts — but somehow New York has lost three of them.

"Hopefully, there will come a point where we will pick him up," manager Jerry Manuel said. "I think it's just coincidence, I really do. He's the type of guy that gets everybody up before his game. He might be getting 'em too geeked — that might be it. I think it'll turn around."

Matt Diaz's two-run single off Pedro Feliciano snapped a 1-all tie in the seventh, and Casey Kotchman followed with another two-run single.

That was more than enough for Lowe (5-1), who won his fourth straight start.

"It was a matchup as advertised," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said. "Derek was on top of his game and certainly Santana was, too."

The Braves have won five of six on an eight-game road trip against the three teams ahead of them in the standings. This was their first visit to Citi Field, the Mets' new ballpark.

"I love facing guys like that, especially Santana. He's going to beat you more than you're going to beat him, but it's fun to be in those games," Lowe said. "It's fun to challenge yourself to see if you can step up when you have to."

Both teams played without a big bopper. Carlos Delgado sat out for the Mets because of a recurring hip injury, while Chipper Jones was sidelined for Atlanta due to a sore right elbow.

Lowe gave up two runs and five hits in 6⅓ innings. The Mets pursued the sinkerballer in the offseason but were outbid by the Braves, who signed him to a \$60 million, four-year contract.

New York then turned its atten-



KATHY WILLENS/AP

New York Mets shortstop Jose Reyes misplays a grounder by Atlanta's Brian McCann in the seventh inning at Citi Field in New York on Monday. The error led to four unearned runs.

tion to re-signing Oliver Perez, a major bust this year who is currently on the disabled list.

Santana was charged with two unearned runs in 6⅓ innings. He dropped to 0-4 with a 2.31 ERA in six career starts against Atlanta, one of three teams he has never beaten. Colorado and Minnesota are the others.

The Mets have scored 15 runs in Santana's seven outings this year, 11 while he was on the mound. They have 139 runs in their other 24 games, an average of 5.79.

"It's hard to believe," Reyes said. "We feel bad right now."

Giants 11, Nationals 7: At San Francisco, Randy Johnson struck out nine in his 298th career victory, and Randy Winn had three hits and scored three runs for the Giants.

Ryan Zimmerman extended his hitting streak to 29 games and went 4-for-5 with two homers for the Nationals, including a three-run shot in the ninth.

Zimmerman hit a solo shot in the sixth off the 6-foot-10 Johnson (3-3), who yielded eight hits and four runs while outdueling 6-9 Daniel Cabrera in the tallest pitching matchup in baseball history.

Cabrera (0-4) gave up eight hits and six walks in his 12th straight start without a victory.

Zimmerman extended the longest hitting streak in the Nationals' brief history and the longest by a third baseman in a quarter-century with a first-inning single. With his ninth-inning homer, Zimmerman improved to 48-for-126 (.381) since the streak began.

Reds 13, Diamondbacks 5: At Phoenix, Willy Taveras matched a career high with five hits, and Adam Rosales had a homer and two doubles for Cincinnati.

Taveras, who had four singles and a double, scored four runs and drove in two. He had five hits on April 25, 2007, at the New York Mets.

Bronson Arroyo (5-2) allowed five runs and 10 hits in seven innings, striking out five.

The Reds jumped on Arizona starter Jon Garland (3-2) early, scoring one run in the first, three in the third and three in the fourth.

Justin Upton's two-run homer stretched his hitting streak to 18 games and brought Arizona within 4-2, but Laynce Nix led off the fourth with a homer and three pitches later, Rosales made it 6-2.

Garland went 3⅓ innings, allowing seven runs and 10 hits. Arizona lost for the third time in four games under new manager A.J. Hinch.

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NHL PLAYOFFS: EASTERN CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS



KEITH SRAKOCIC/AP

The Washington Capitals' Alex Ovechkin, top, leaps onto his teammates after a goal by Alexander Semin against the Pittsburgh Penguins during the third period of Game 6 of an NHL Eastern Conference semifinal series in Pittsburgh on Monday. The Capitals tied the series at three games apiece with a 5-4 victory in overtime.

Capitals win in OT, force Game 7

Washington-Pittsburgh series lives up to expectations

By ALAN ROBINSON
The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — To Alex Ovechkin, it almost wouldn't be right if there weren't a Game 7 between the Washington Capitals and Pittsburgh Penguins.

The stars, Ovechkin and Sidney Crosby, have been everything they're supposed to be — "incredible, both of them," Capitals coach Bruce Boudreau said after his team's 5-4 overtime victory in Game 6 on Monday night.

The six Eastern Conference semifinal games have been close, unpredictable and entertaining,

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with half of the contests going to overtime. There have been swings in momentum, numerous lead changes and unexpected twists and turns, not only from game to game but period to period.

"It's been amazing," Capitals forward Nicklas Backstrom said.

The only challenge for two weary teams who have endured four physically and emotionally draining games in six days is to somehow make Game 7 in Washington on Wednesday as competitive and as riveting as the

Capitals' win-or-else road victory in Game 6.

There were goals from stars (Crosby) and players who simply aren't supposed to score in the playoffs (Pittsburgh defenseman Mark Eaton, with his fourth, as many as he had in 68 regular-season games). There were four ties and three lead changes — and, remember, this is hockey and not basketball.

An unexpected finish, too. David Steckel, who missed a shot toward a wide-open net that would

have decided the teams' overtime game two nights before, scored on a tip-in of Brooks Laich's shot 6:22 into the extra period to send the series back to Washington.

What a finish. For the Capitals, what a fitting finish given how close Steckel came to deciding the Penguins' 4-3 victory in Washington on Saturday, when he couldn't score seconds into an overtime that ended not long after that on Evgeni Malkin's goal.

"I was really down after that, it was right there and then two min-

utes later you lose the game like that," Steckel said. "I told myself if I had a chance to do it again, I wouldn't miss. Obviously it's a different situation, but it feels good."

Especially considering how nothing looked to be in the Capitals' favor. They had lost three games in a row to Pittsburgh, putting them on the verge of a fourth playoff series loss to the Penguins since 1992 in which they held a two-game lead. Also, they had lost their previous seven overtime playoff games, while the Penguins had won eight of nine.

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